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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1651, January 10-16, 2013

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| Thu 0430 | WRMI | 9955 | [replayed 1650 this week] |
| Thu 2200 | WTWW | 9479 | [confirmed] |
| Fri 0428v | WWRB | 3195 | [& 5050 also on this week] |
| Sat 0230v | WBCQ | 5110v-CUSB Area 51 | [confirmed] |
| Sat 0630 | HLR | 7265 | Hamburger Lokalradio |
| Sat 0900 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Sat 1600 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Sat 1630 | HLR | 7265 | Hamburger Lokalradio |
| Sat 1830 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Sun 0500 | WTWW | 5830 | [confirmed] |
| Sun 0900 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Sun 1630 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Mon 0530 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Tue 1200 | WRMI | 9955 | |
| Thu 0430 | WRMI | 9955 | [or maybe 1652 if ready in time] |

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** ANGOLA. 4949.75, RNA-Canal "A", Mulenvos, 2254-2312, 03/1, portuguÍs, canÁıes a terminar a rubrica vespertina "Boa Noite, Angola!", an˙ncios, notÌcias, ‡s 2300; 35422. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 11440.06-LSB, Cadena 3, Jan 07 0806-1002 45444-35443-35343-25432 Spanish, Talk and music, ID at 0827 and 0846 and 0900 and 0953 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASIA [non]. RFA New QSL --- AJ Via RFA Facebookpage: RFA's QSL card commemorating 2013 as the Year of the Snake. This card will be used to confirm all valid reception reports from January-April 2013.
http://sphotos-c.ak.fbcdn.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/226673_10200095460607046_1706770849_n.jpg
(via Partha Sarathi Goswami, WB, Jan 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. Bushfire & Heatwave Radio === January 9 2013
Radio Heritage Foundation http://www.radioheritage.com

G'day. Another hot one today. Stay cool. To listen to bushfire and heatwave information live from anywhere across Australia:

* visit the Australia Radio Guide at http://www.radioheritage.com
* choose the state or territory you want
* find the local radio station you want
* click on the link to the station for live audio and the station website for even more up to the minute information

For example:

* NSW FM Radio
* South East
* Commercial: 2SKI Snow FM
* National: ABC South East

When thongs melt in Birdsville and the weather map turns purple, it's time to monitor reputable media and local radio stations across Australia can easily be found and listened to live through the Australia Radio Guide which lists thousands of AM, FM & Digital radio stations.

Find this helpful? Tell your family, friends and workmates about this free community service today and help them stay informed during these long hot hours.

Radio Heritage Foundation http://www.radioheritage.com
The Co-operative Global Radio Memories Project
(David Ricquish, RHF, Jan 8, HCDX via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 5025, ABC-NT (Katherine) 1543-1630+ 28 Dec. Heard only one day, with programming // 4835 (Alice Springs), discussion/interview with Andrew "Fulano" from "Newsweek" about US concerns in the new year including gun control/violence, school shootings, and the fiscal cliff. Yakked thru TOH and closed with "Lawyers, Guns & Money" by Warren Zevon, then books programme featuring new autobiography of Rod Stewart ("Rod: The Autobiography") and a memoir from Neil Young ("Waging Heavy Peace") with musical interludes ("Heart of Gold" and "Maggie May"), possibly an ABC National promo at 1629, sounder and "(ABC) National news", fair to OK with some QSB by tune/out (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA, PL600 + 4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. 11880, RA (Shepparton) 1612+ 31 Dec. One

slight "un-benefit" of using an inexpensive receiver + a little too much wire clipped to the whip antenna is finding really strong signals showing up 910 kHz below the nominal QRG. RA just thumps in here on 11880 and also pops in on 10970. Radio Dabanga 13800 (Talata-Volondry) playing peek-a-boo on 12890 today, as well--unusual cuz altho they're easily heard on 13800, rarely does the signal get into "massive attack" territory & show up "elsewhere" (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL600 + 4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5995, Jan 4 at 1453, Elgar`s ``Enigma Variations``, great classical music playing on RA, unusual for them, but most welcome! Until: faded out incomplete at 1459 for RA promo and then news, also on // 11945, while 9580 was already off at 1458, even more rudely. I suppose RA considered it merely fill music for some program missing on summer hiatus. The program scheduled at this time was: http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/pacific/radio/programschedule?tz=0&stream=pacific `Friday Late`, interview program, which this certainly was not, from RN at 1400[sic]-1500[sic] UT to the Pacific. Archive indicates it`s been off since Dec 15.

9580, Jan 8 circa 1350, RA is interviewing a bubbly Brit/Canuckess, Mysti Vine, lamenting that there are so few black burlesque artistes. Axually, I think she enjoys standing out; concluding with reference to her site, http://www.comicgoddess.com --- ``The World's Only Black Burlesque, Variety & Striptease Comedic Artist...(probably)``. Checking the gallery, she may be sufficient, but not especially busty.

9580, Wed Jan 9 at 1420, fascinating show about color perception (dogs see no red; some rare humans have cones for four primary colors instead of three, and some shrimp species has 20! Why?). Turns out to be `Radio Lab` from WNYC as widely heard on public radio in the US, but for SW, we are indebted to RA (and RNZI) for worldwiding this, including back to US!

No American shortwave station, government or private, would ever condescend to broadcast such excellent non-commercial, non-religious programming for almost an hour straight. (Axually, we are just as indebted to Radio National and RNZ National which are merely being relayed by the SW stations for lack of any programming of their own, especially during summer breaks). I knew RA would cut 9580 off abruptly at 1458, so had already retuned to 11945 to get the last minute of the Radio Lab credits. This show has great produxion values, with choral musical renditions of the colors (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BAHAMAS. 4045-USB, Emerald Bay, 1225 weather conditions 2 Jan. 4045-USB, Green Turtle Key, 1227-1230 discussion of wind direction 2 Jan (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Icom 746Pro, DX

LISTENING DIGEST) But what stations are these, exactly? (gh, DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 7250, Bangladesh Betar, Jan 01 *1312-1320, 25222, Nepali, 1312 sign on with IS, 1314 Opening announce, Talk

15505, Bangladesh Betar, Jan 01 1401-1429*, 35333-25332, Urdu, News and Bangladesh music, ID at 1405, 1429 sign off (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750, Bangladesh Betar 1140 to 1210 YL with comments 2 Jan, 1145 sub continental music strong signal faded at 1215 on 5 Jan. Tnx Ron Howard (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Icom 746Pro, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service). As I recently reported, I had not heard this in a long time, so was very pleased to hear them again with decent reception. Jan 3 stronger than the RRI Makassar and CNR1 QRM; fair to poor; frequent IDs and occasional ads; mostly in assume Bengali. Selected highlights from 1235 to 1618 follow:

1235: tuned in to mostly subcontinent music.

1255-1258: The only significant QRM was from RRI Makassar with their brief Moslem call-to-prayer.

1405-1410: ID followed by news in Bengali.

1540: found news in progress in English; brief segment in Bengali and more news in English till 1556; many items about the Bangladesh Prime Minister. By this time the QRM from RRI Makassar was considerable. Still going at 1618 tune out.

https://www.box.com/s/25zexm1s1xgqfqdtuhtp
contains a recording of clear ID, advertisement, etc.

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service), 1530-1545, Jan 4. In English; news, sports, weather, news commentary; starts with ìAssalamu alaikum. 9:30 PM. This is Bangladesh Betar. The news read by Öî; celebrations of founding of Bangladesh Chhatra League [BCL] observed and wreath placed at statue of Bangabandhu (Father of the Nation); 6 killed and 20 injured in road accident this morning at Comilla; ìmoderate to thick fog may reduce visibility to 500m or less . . . for the next 5 to 6 hoursî, etc.; light QRM.

https://www.box.com/s/ybdquvq6efte0v71uqno
contains a five minute recording of portions of todayís program.

[and non]. 4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service), 1530-1545, Jan 5. Identical format in English to yesterday; news, sports, weather alerts (there were none today) and ìnews commentaryî. ìe-commerce weekî being held in the capital with slogan ìShop online. Anything, anytimeî with Bangladesh Bank and Bangladesh Association of Software and Information Services joining the event; at Chittagong, workers injured while rushing out of a garment factory due to a fire; fairly readable with light QRM from UNID Chinese station (not CNR1).

For todayís comparison to yesterdayís reception please listen to https://www.box.com/s/h1iibpzf4rnaja1fshje

A few more sound bites from yesterdayís reception: ìThis is Bangladesh Betar giving you the newsî; ìThat is the end of the news. Our next bulletin will be in Bangla at 11 PM"; start of ìnews commentary"; ìand that's the end of the news commentaryî.
https://www.box.com/s/epmtnvrvtp7ttiben5cs

Not knowing much about their language, I was somewhat surprised he said ìBanglaî instead of what I am more familiar with: ìBengaliî.

Today, based on my recent monitoring, I can confirm there are now FOUR stations here. BB, RRI, CNR1 and today heard UNID Chinese station which was clearly not CNR1; content was almost all talking (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750.00, Radio Bangladesh Betar, decent (but not great) signal 1210-1240 on 1/5 with musical variety program, including some unmistakably subcontinental vocals by YL accompanied by table. Thanks to Ron Howard for noticing they were back (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750, Bangladesh Betar, 1346-1356 Jan 5. Sounded like sub-continental music so presume this was BB, rather than China; M&W but too much local noise to determine language. Signal seemed a bit better than usual but still not enough to overcome my local S-9 local noise. No sign of RRI (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar, 1145-1210, good signal today, with regional music, ID by female anncr at 1150 and again just after time pips at TOH. Faded quickly after 1210. This station actually better on my

east-facing pennant than on the NW one, because the east-facing one has a lower noise level. 1/6/13 (Art Delibert, N. Bethesda, MD, JRC NRD 535, Pennant antennas with DX Engineering amp, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

4750, Bangladesh Betar, Jan 06, 1301-1311 1354-1407 43443 Bengali, News and talk and Bangladesh music, ID at 1305 and 1405.

7250, Bangladesh Betar, Jan 06 *1311-1320, 33433-33422, Nepali, 1311 sign on with IS, Opening announce, News (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service), 1530, Jan 6. Remarkable reception; nearly 100% readable!
https://www.box.com/s/ljwhaj5cadehcmmejncc

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service), 1234-1242, Jan 7. Brief subcontinent music before the start of the Monday only SAARC (South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation) news bulletin in English; poor with QRM from three stations (RRI and two Chinese)

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service), 1530, Jan 8. An anomaly with no news in English; in Bangla Bengali and a series of speeches; probably preempted due to strong anti-government demonstrations in the capital; 1600 ID and into program of subcontinent music; heavy QRM

4750.0, Bangladesh Betar (Home Service), 1530-1545, Jan 9. Today back to normal in English; usual format; Prime Minister nationalizes non-government primary schools; tomorrow celebrations planned to mark the January 10, 1972 anniversary of the return home of Bangabandhu (Father of the Nation) from being in prison in Pakistan (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BANGLADESH FORMALLY INAUGURATES 250 KW SHORTWAVE TRANSMITTER

Bangladesh Betar's upgraded 250 kW shortwave transmitter and rotating antenna system was formally inaugurated at Kabirpur center on 7th January 2013 by the Bangla Information and broadcasting minister Hasan ul Haq Inu. A Betar news bulletin said that "The newly commissioned state of the art antennas will help Bangladesh Betar to improve its external program transmission quality. Built at cost of over 60 crore Taka the transmitter will make the external listeners of Betar receive its high quality programs easily." (via Supratik Sanatani, Kolkata, India, Jan 8, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

So now we expect it to funxion perfectly, good modulation (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1651,  DXLD)

** BELARUS. Radio Belarus starts broadcasting in Chinese --- "In 2013 Radio Belarus launches a project in Chinese. The new programme, aptly named ìBelarus is Your Friendî, describes and discusses the life in our country, our dialogue with China, personal contacts between citizens of our countries. In addition to Belarusian journalists, the team working on that project includes their Chinese colleagues Li Zuo and Wang Yuhong".
http://www.radiobelarus.tvr.by/en/content/2013-radio-belarus-launches-project-chinese/

The programme is on the air (on-line only) on Wednesdays from 0020 till 0040 UT (03:20-03:40 Minsk time).
http://www.radiobelarus.tvr.by/ru/internet/

Not sure but maybe also on FM in Belarus (Brest - 96.4 MHz, Hrodna - 96.9 MHz, Svislach - 100.8 MHz, Heraniony - 99.9 MHz, Braslau - 106.6 MHz, Miadzel - 102.0 MHz). (thanks for the information to S. Alekseychik, Hrodna, Belarus, open_dx yg) ñ (Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine, Jan 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. Radio Vatican through the Belarusian radio. 30.12.2012 took the Belarusian service of Radio Vatican on the waves Belarusian radio on the frequency 7255 kHz. Tuned to this frequency in 0555 UT, broadcast news Radio Vatican. At 0600 the transfer of The Belarusian radio. Most likely broadcasts are on Sundays, left determine their duration in time (Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan?, Russia / ìdeneb-radio-dxî) via Rus DX via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

** BHUTAN. BBS RADIO HELPS OVERCOME IGNORANCE AND ISOLATION
   Eshori Gurung, Gelephu January 1, 2013

"Over the mountains, through the valleys and rivers, nestled in a nook is Chhudzom Gewog. Previously known as Dovan, Chhudzom is one of the most remote gewogs under Sarpang Dzongkhag.

Monsoon landslides keep the gewog cut off from the rest of the country for most part of the year. And during short winter, people from the gewog come down to the plains to shop for nessecities that will keep them going for rough monsoon ahead.

As monsoon sets in, the only source of information for a few people living in Dovan is the Bhutan Broadcasting Service Radio. BBS Radio plays a crucial role in informing, educating and entertaining them.

However, even Radio is a luxury for many of them. Only a few places

in Lhayuel Chiwog have access to Radio.

"Dovan is a place which is completely isolated and isolation makes people ignorant. If we could have Radio sevices here in Dovan we could tackle ignorance easily.î Kinley Tshering,

The Technical Department of BBS said the transmitter in Samtenling gewog cannot cover the entire Chhudzom area. They said since there is no electricity in Chhudzom, they cannot install a transmitter.

Under such circumstance, the villagers use cell phone, and word of mouth to keep abreast of the happenings.

A teacher in Dovan, Kinley Tshering said, they make it a point to let the students know what is happening around the world. ìDovan is a place which is completely isolated and isolation makes people ignorant. If we could have Radio sevices here in Dovan we could tackle ignorance easily,î said Kinley Tshering.

A resident of Lhayuel chiwog, Hari Ram Gurung, 31, said they used to receive clearradio reception until a few years back. ìThe reception got bad after the gewog was connected to cellular network.î

He said they tried to get BBS TV reception by installing antenna made of aluminum wire, just like a few people did in Gelephu and Jimiliing, but it did not work.

Many people BBS spoke to said they do not know what is happening in the country. They say they have no idea about the new parties that have come up, the candidates, party logo and the upcoming parliamentary elections."

http://www.bbs.bt/news/?p=21812
This page also contains an interesting video pertaining to this story.
(via Ron Howard, California, Jan 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** BHUTAN. 6035.04, BBS. Jan 2 no longer on the extended schedule as heard yesterday; 1230-1244 program in vernacular with indigenous chanting/songs; also 1321-1336 with EZL songs; was off the air by 1401 check; very light PBS Yunnan QRM (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6035.04, BBS Thimpu, 1500:34, Jan 3, English? talk in the clear after Yunnan PBS off. Sig not beyond S3, was expecting this would improve but it didn't, so soon lost track of any audio and finally gave up 1531. Cf Ron Howard's reports on Jan 1 & 2 (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, ibid.)

6035.04, BBS. Happy to see that Martien Groot (Netherlands) was also enjoying this today; Jan 3 with another extended schedule; poor/adjacent QRM; much better after 1600. Selected highlights from 1343 to 1618 follow:

1343-1350: In vernacular with EZL indigenous songs.

1350-1400: Segment with YL talking with a young girl and also with the girl singing (cute!); in past years I have also heard the same format.

1500: BBS theme music followed by ìThis is the new(s?) service of the Bhutan Broadcasting Serviceî and into the news.

1522 ñ My local sunrise.

1534: ìThatís all for this edition of Öî; into EZL pop western songs.

1601: Went from pop western songs to non-stop indigenous chanting/singing and EZL indigenous songs.

https://www.box.com/s/jy3ouryb74xlkfydchkx
contains a recording of some of todayís music (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Martien, Jan 4 BBS (6035.04) went off at 1416, leaving a stronger than usual PBS Yunnan in the clear on 6035.00 (Ron Howard, California, ibid.)

6035.04, BBS. Sign off times daily vary a lot; Jan 7 extended schedule; in English from 1501 to 1601; started with ID and news (first item about the activities of their King today, etc.) till 1515 followed by a talk show; 1532-1601 segment of EZL pop songs with YL DJ; 1601 started indigenous songs; poor with adjacent QRM.

6035.04, BBS. Jan 8 signed off well before they got to their English segment; 1504 fair signal in the clear from PBS Yunnan with classical western music that they usually play before going off the air.

Very pleased to receive a BBS QSL letter dated today (Jan 8), at
https://www.box.com/s/nxqg2thhezaeechgmwvg
Thanks to help from John Herkimer and Bruce Churchill for their kind assistance in converting the document format so I could see it! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6035.04, BBS. Regarding yesterdayís posted BBS QSL letter at
https://www.box.com/s/nxqg2thhezaeechgmwvg ñ
I sent a reception report directly to Kaka Tshering (General Manager

of BBS) at kakatshering @ bbs.bt containing a reference to a separate audio file at box.com that I set up just for him to listen to. In fact that audio file was opened twice, so I know he did in fact check my recording to verify the reception. I received the BBS QSL letter as an attachment to the following email:

``Dear Mr. Ron Howard, I am writing to confirm your reception report. We don't have a QSL card. I hope the letter I have attached with this mail will serve the purpose. In any case, that's the best I can do. I should have written to you sooner but I was caught up in some unavoidable paperwork. Please accept my apologies. Happy New Year. May the year bring you health and happiness, and peace and prosperity. Regards, Kaka Tshering`` (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4716.69, Radio Yura, Aillu Yura, only fair signal amid noisy band at 0958 on 1/4 with YL in Spanish, start of apparently a news show, with her mentioning ìlas noticias en el paÌs de Bolivia . . . el dia de hoy . . .î (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.46, Radio Pio Doce, Llallagua, beautiful signal 1020 on 1/6 with OM doing morning news show in Spanish, clear mention of Llallagua (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6105.4, Radio Panamericana, La Paz, 1041 sign on, "Bolivia CorazÛn" at 1046, yl instrumental, "Bolivia CorazÛn " again at 1052, 1103 flauta 3 January Very strong; 1040 to 1100 "Bolivia CorazÛn " repeated by om en espaÒol, haunting flauta solo, strong signal 4 Jan (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Icom 746Pro, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6105.50, Radio Panamericana, La Paz, good signal 1043 tune-in on 1/3. Best in USB and notching out the het. At 1045, YL giving usual program ID as ìBolivia CorazÛnî and then into CP melodies, including criollo-style piano tunes, not just folklÛrica. At 1049, OM with usual time check format, ìLa Hora Panamericana . . . 6 y 49 minutos!î Noted Pio Doce 5952.46 about 1005 this morning also, so a decent day for 49 mb propagation from Bolivia. Also 1/4 same general time, with very nice

signal, same programming (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100, Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands), 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6134.8, Jan 4 at 0950 I am unavoidably awake, so check 60 and 49m for the morning LA window. Noise level is such that the only signal making it is this, lively song in Spanish, no het, mentions ``Los Coyotes del Norte``, a musical group, or anti-American remark? Next tune is Andean, and then another seguÈ. No doubt R. Santa Cruz, which is one station we don`t have to lose sleep to hear in the evenings (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thereís a Latin group that calls itself ìLos Coyotes del Norteî. This might be what you heard, it sure sounds pretty lively:
COYOTES DEL NORTE ME VOY EN ESTE TREN (YouTube video)
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=neApyQTGRqg
(Larry Cunningham, dxldyg via DXLD)

Beware: this video provides only glimpses of the group, instead close-ups of colitas and various other female body parts shaking (gh, DXLD)

6134.7, Radio Santa Cruz 1020 to 1030, om en espaÒol over flauta 555 signal, enjoyable program. 4 January (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Icom 746Pro, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 0106 I tuned to 6135, surprised to hear Radio Santa Cruz so well, at 33333 sometimes, with "Sale el Sol" by Don Omar, followed by varied Latin songs, including "… o Amor" by Luciano at 0122. Jingle and ID at 0124.

Also, at 0136 I listened, for the very first time in my life, to Radio Fides on 6155, playing "La Fuerza del EngaÒo" by Marcela Morelo, interrupted at 0137 by joyful female DJ thanking the audience for listening and giving a phone number. Around 0149 they had "CorazÛn de Melao" by Emmanuel, then goodbye by DJ, jingle, national anthem and sign-off at 0158. My QTH is in Pilar, Buenos Aires Province, Argentina (Eduardo Peralta, UT Jan 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. BRASIL, 5939.85, R. Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙ SC, 2255-2314, 04/1, programa de propaganda religiosa em castelhano intitulado "Dialogando con la Familia", regresso ‡ programaÁ„o em portuguÍs, ‡s 2300, para o notici·rio; 45433; // 9665 com bom sinal.

6135.06, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 2257-..., 05/1, texto; 32431, QRM da BOLIVIA, em 6134,8 + canais adjacentes. Captar a Aparecida nos

6135v tem sido, h· muitos meses, um pesadelo.

9695.2, R. Rio Mar, Manaus AM, 1132-desvan. total 1205, 04/1, notici·rio regional da regi„o amazÛnica; 15431.

9819.3, R. Nove de Julho, S„o Paulo SP, 1844-1900, 04/1, recitaÁ„o do terÁo, serm„o, canÁıes a condizer...; 33432, QRM adjacente; pelas 1900, o sinal brasileiro foi como que bloqueado pela Darfur R via Deutschland, em 9815, o que n„o admira, porque quer a antena Beverage a 270∫ (utilizada para o Brasil/estados como AC, RR, AM), quer a ant. Beverage a 225∫ (servindo o Brasil, ARG, BOL, ¡fr. Ocid.) n„o tÍm terminaÁ„o resistiva, logo... - enfim, vantagens e desvantagens.

11815, R. Brasil Central, Goi,nia GO, 1740-1810, 06/1, canÁıes, an˙ncios comerciais, tudo no prograna Domingo de Bola; 34443, QRM adjacente.

11815 idem, 2235-..., 06/1, m˙sica pop', an˙ncios informativos, IDs; 55433, sinal sobremodulado causando espalhamento sobre canais contÌguos. Incluo gravaÁ„o.

11830, R. Daqui (surpresa!!!), Goi,nia GO, 1056-1301, 07/1, canÁıes, infos. hor·rias,..., m˙sica, ‡s 1300; 25432, mas em perda. H· muito que n„o captava esta emissora nos 11830, apenas nos 4915, mas creio que o hor·rio foi restringido, pois, ‡ noite, n„o a capto. [WORLD OF RADIO 1651]

11915, R. Ga˙cha, Pt.∫ Alegre RS, 2230-2250, 06/1, an˙ncios comerciais, notici·rio, entrevistas; 44433, em perda, QRM da ARS, felizmente, muito, muito l· no fundo. Incluo gravaÁ„o. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4754.91, R Imaculada ConceiÁ„o, Campo Grande, doing well several mornings of late. Heard 1/4 at 0900 s/on with OM news show in Portuguese, good signal but noisy bands though. Better on 1/6 0901 long canned eco announcement in Portuguese, ID and relating usual listed frequencies (AM, SW). Into Sunday morning program with choir and more eco announcements. Christian pops and short inspirational comments about ìLa [sic] Bibliaî and ìa vidaî by OM and YL. Signal much improved by 0920. Fully faded out by 0937 (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4785.00, R·dio Caiari, Porto Velho, several recent

mornings. Good with plucked/strummed acoustic guitar selections and OM local folk singing, 1/4 at 0910 thru 1015. But even better, a very excellent signal, on 1/6 at 0928-1000+. ZY Acoustic guitar selections and mellow orchestrals. Frequent Portuguese announcements by OM including ID at 0941, ìÖ4785 kiloHertz ondas curtas . . . programa ëCaiari Ruralí. . . î Sound effects, electronic stingers. A few times, in between songs, guy would just announce ìRadio Caiari!î (Kai-ahh-ree!), Best ID at 0959, when OM mentioned ì. . . A Sociedade de Cultura R·dio Caiari Ltda . . . 1430 kHz onda media . . . 4785 kHz onda tropicais . . . R·dio Caiari apresenta . . .î (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4974.98, tentatively R·dio Iguatemi, 2315 on 12/30 with MoR music, OM bassy announcements in Portuguese, poor signal. Better on 1/2 at 0015 check. Tnx for ID from Dave Valko who //ed signal with Iguatemiís live streaming webcast (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 9565.07, Super R·dio Deus È Amor, Curitiba, good signal 0850 on 1/4 with OM canned Portuguese announcements and preacher. Parallel frequencies also all noted: // 6120.00, 11764.89 and 6059.82. Best signal was 25 meter band one (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 9645.36, R. Bandeirantes 2314-2339 Jan 5. Sounded like sports program with several "g-o-o-o-l" audio clips; several ID's and ads. Fair signal on a noisy band; // 11925.16v, fair/poor. The latter frequency jumped to 11925.04 at around 2330 and remained there until 2339 tune-out (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 9695.3, Jan 4 at 1011, ``Aleluya`` song but a new tune to me, Brazilian Portuguese preaching, het, poor signal, no doubt R. Rio Mar, ZYE245, Manaus, 7.5 kW, which per WRTH signs on at 1000 and off at 2100, accounting for nothing from it in the evenings; why? (Glenn

Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11764.86, Super R. Deus È Amor, 2340-0006 Jan 5. Hyper evangelist with testimonials before an audience; station inserted ads a few times; several mentions of Igreja Deus È Amor; cut away abruptly at 0000 for canned ID, mentioning MW frequency and calls (1210 kHz ZYJ219), then SW frequencies without calls (9565, 11765, and 6060). 9565 not heard here; 6060 covered by strong carrier, so not sure (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 30/12, BRASIL, 1054, 11830, R. Daqui, Goi,nia (GO), mx ZezÈ di Camargo, segue vinheta "R·dio Daqui, m˙sica sertaneja de qualidade", depois mx de ernando e Sorocaba, fraca mas est·vel e claramente audÌvel, 15441; 73 (Arthur Antonio Raimundo, Manaus AM Brasil, 03∫05'41"S, 60∫01'57"W, FI96XV radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

[and non] Neste momento 18:51 (BrasÌlia) [2051 UT] estou ouvindo a "briga" das duas R·dios na mesma frequÍncia 11915. Radio Ga˙cha X Radio Riyadh. As duas chegam aqui para mim com sinal bem forte, briga muito boa. A R·dio Ga˙cha sempre chega muito bem por aqui, na parte da manh„, ouÁo sempre o notici·rio matutino. J· tive a oportunidade de monitÛr·-la o dia todo aqui, e o resultado foi: Das 6:00 ·s 9:00hs sinal muito bom, depois das 9:00 o sinal comeÁa a se desvanescer. As 13:00/15:00 j· n„o se ouve mais a mesma. Ao cair da tarde 16:30/17:00 ela aparece novamente com muita forÁa. Quanto n„o tem outra R·dio para atrapalhar, ela aparece bem, mas...comumente sempre tem uma r·dio para "engolÌ-la", e a noite ele some por completo. Espero de alguma forma, tÍ-lo ajudado (C·ssio Santos - Setor Central - Goi,na-Goi·s, Receptor Kenwood R-600, Antena AOR SA7000, Jan 6, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. RELAT”RIO REFERENTE ¿S ESCUTAS DE DEZEMBRO/2012 OU ANTERIORES/2012 AINDA NVO RELACIONADAS

[times appear to be local = UT -2, -3, -4 or -5 --- gh]

kHz EstaÁ„o Local Hor·rio Oper. P (KW) ConfirmaÁıes
2380 R. Educadora Limeira - SP 00:00-24:00 0,25 23/11 TT via DXLD
2410 R. TransamazÙnica Senador Guiomard-AC 00:00-24:00 5(?) ver nota 1
3325 R. Mundial S. Paulo - SP 00:00-24:00 2,5 ver nota 1
3365 R. Cultura Araraquara - SP 05:00-24:00 1 30/11 CGS
3375 R. Municipal S. Gabriel da Cahoeira-AM 00:00-24:00 5 24/11, 04/12 e 10/12 via DXLD 24/12 RP
4755 R. Imaculada ConceiÁ„o Campo Grande - MS 00:00-24:00 10 27/11 via DXLD
4765 R. Rural SantarÈm - PA 04:00-24:00 10 30/11 CGS
4765 R. IntegraÁ„o Cruzeiro do Sul - AC 05:00-24:00 10 06/11 via DXLD

4775 R. Congonhas Congonhas - MG 00:00-24:00 1 04/11 CGS
4785 R. Caiari Porto Velho - RO 00:00-24:00 10 30/12 AAR
4805 R. Difusora do Amazonas Manaus - AM 00:00-24:00 10 01/11 e 02/12 CGS 07/12 via DXLD
4815 R. Difusora Londrina - PR 00:00-24:00 10 22/11 via DXLD 01/12 CGS 03/12 F 23/12 GH
4825 R. Educadora BraganÁa - PA 00:00-24:00 5 ver nota 1
4825 R. CanÁ„o Nova Cachoeira Paulista - SP 00:00-24:00 10 02/11 CGS 23/12 RP via DXLD 25/12 MM via DXLD
4845 R. Cultura Manaus - AM 00:00-24:00 10 01/12 CGS
4845 R. Meteorologia Paulista Ibitinga - SP 07:00-24:00 1 24/11 via DXLD
4865 R. Alvorada Londrina - PR 00:00-24:00 5 ver nota 1
4865 R. Missıes da AmazÙnia ”bidos - PA 00:00-24:00 5 30/12 AAR
4865 R. Verdes Florestas Cruzeiro do Sul - AC 06:00-22:00 5 29/11 e 30/11 CGS 03/12 F
4875 R. Roraima Boa Vista - RR 00:00-24:00 10 23/11 TT 01/11 e 01/12 CGS (*1) 24/11 via DXLD 21/12 RW 29/12 AS
4885 R. A Voz do CoraÁ„o Imacul.  An·polis - GO 00:00-24:00 1 ver nota 1
4885 R. Clube do Par· BelÈm - PA 00:00-24:00 10 01/12 LFS 02/11 e 01/12 CGS 22/12 LFS
4885 R. Difusora Acreana Rio Branco - AC 04:00-23:00 5 04/12 PFA via DXLD
4895 R. Novo Tempo Campo Grande - MS 00:00-24:00 5 02/12 CGS
4915 R.  Daqui Goi,nia - GO 00:00-24:00 10 02/11 e 16/12 CGS 22/11 via DXLD
4915 R. Difusora Macap· - AP 00:00-24:00 10 01/12 LFS 30/11 e 16/12 CGS 16/12 via DXLD
4925 R. EducaÁ„o Rural TefÈ - AM 00:00-24:00 5 01/11 e 02/12 CGS (*2) 25/11 via DXLD
4935 R. Capixaba VitÛria - ES 00:00-24:00 1 02/11 e 02/12 CGS (*3)
4965 R. Alvorada Parintins - AM 05:00-22:00 5 02/11 CGS
4975 R. Iguatemi Osasco - SP 00:00-24:00 1 03/11 e 16/12 CGS
4985 R. Brasil Central Goi,nia - GO 00:00-24:00 10 01/12 LFS 02/11 e 01/12 CGS 28/11 via DXLD 19 e 26/12 RW
5015 R. Cultura Cuiab· - MT 00:00-24:00 1 24/11 TT 03/11, 01 e 02/12 CGS 15/11 via DXLD
5035 R. Aparecida Aparecida - SP 00:00-24:00 10 02/11 e 02/12 CGS
5035 R. EducaÁ„o Rural Coari - AM 05:00-23:00 5 01/11 CGS
5940 R. Voz Mission·ria Camboriu - SC 00:00-24:00 10 01/11 e 01/12 CGS
5955 R. Gazeta S. Paulo - SP 00:00-24:00 10 ver nota 1
5965 R. Transmundial Santa Maria - RS 00:00-06:00 7,5 23/11 via DXLD
5970 R. Itatiaia Belo Horizonte - MG 00:00-24:00 10 01/12 LFS 01/11 e 01/12 CGS 07/08 JFN 25 e 29/11 via DXLD
6000 R. Guaiba Porto Alegre - RS 00:00-24:00 10 ver nota 1
6010 R. InconfidÍncia Belo Horizonte - MG 00:00-24:00 25 02/11 e 01/12 CGS 27/12 RP 24/12 RP via DXLD

6060 SRDA Curitiba - PR 00:00-24:00 10 14/12 RP
6070 SRDA (Capital) Rio de Janeiro - RJ 00:00-24:00 7,5 01/11 e 01/12 CGS
6080 R. Daqui Goi,nia - GO 07:00-03:00 10 ver nota 1
6080 R. Novas da Paz Curitiba - PR 00:00-24:00 5 03/11 CGS
6090 R. Bandeirantes S. Paulo - SP 00:00-24:00 10 24/12 GSC
6105 R. Cultura de Filadelfia Foz do IguaÁu - PR 11:00-19:00 7,5 14 e 22/11 via DXLD
6105 R.  CanÁ„o Nova Cachoeira Paulista - SP 08:00-03:00 5 ver nota 1
6120 R.  SRDA Curitiba - PR 00:00-24:00 10 02/11 e 01/12 CGS 14/12 RP
6135 R. Aparecida Aparecida - SP 08:00-23:00 25 17/11 via DXLD
6160 R. Rio Mar Man·us - AM 00:00-24:00 10 ver nota 1
6180 R. Nacional da AmazÙnia BrasÌlia - DF 00:00-24:00 250 04/12 GH 04/12 GSC 23/12 LFS 04/12 via DXLD 30/12 RWG
9515 R. Marumby Curitiba - PR 10:00-23:00 10 24/12 GSC
9530 R. Transmundial Santa Maria - RS 07:00-18:00 10 ver nota 1
9550 R. Boa Vontade Porto Alegre - RS 00:00-24:00 10 29/11 CGS
9565 SRDA Curitiba - PR 00:00-24:00 20 02/11 e 01/12 CGS 02/12 via DXLD 14/12 RP
9585 R.  SRDA S. Paulo - SP 00:00-24:00 10 01/12 CGS
9630 R. Aparecida Aparecida- SP 08:00-24:00 10 01/12 LFS 02/11 e 01/12 CGS
9645 R. Bandeirantes S. Paulo - SP 09:00-24:00 7,5 04/11, 29/11 e 01/12 CGS
9665 R. Voz Mission·ria Camboriu - SC 08:00-24:00 10 01/11 e 01/12 CGS
9675 R. CanÁ„o Nova Cachoeira Paulista - SP 00:00-24:00 10
9695 R. Rio Mar Manaus - AM 02:30-19:00 7,5 01 e 05/11 e 14/12 CGS 12/12 RP via DXLD e 16/12 RP
9820 R. Nove de Julho S. Paulo - SP 09:00-21:00 10 01/11 C e 01/12 CGS (*4) 16/12 via DXLD
11735 R. Transmundial Santa Maria - RS 07:00-17:00 50 03/11, 05/11 e 02/12 CGS 09/12 AAS
11765 R.  SRDA Curitiba - PR 00:00-24:00 20 03/11, 05/11 e 01/12 CGS 09/12 AAS
11780 R. Nacional da AmazÙnia BrasÌlia - DF 09:00-03:00 250 09/12 AAS 14/12 HF via DXLD 21/12 RWG 25/12 MM via DXLD 30/12 RWG
11815 R. Brasil Central Goi,nia - GO 00:00-24:00 7,5 01 e 05/11, 01 e 02/12 CGS 09/12 AAS 22/12 RWG 15/11 via DXLD
11830 R. Daqui Goi,nia - GO 08:00-03:00 10 09/12 AAS 21/12 RWG 03/12 via DXLD 30/12 AAR
11855 R. Aparecida Aparecida - SP 00:00-24:00 1 01/11 e 01/12 CGS
11895 R. Boa Vontade Porto Alegre - RS 17:00-03:00 10 ver nota 1
11915 R. Ga˙cha Porto Alegre - RS 00:00-24:00 7,5 30/12 NS 30/12 GSC
11925 R. Bandeirantes S. Paulo - SP 00:00-24:00 10 01/11 e 01/12 CGS
15190 R. InconfidÍncia Belo Horizonte - MG 07:00-16:00 5 02/11, 01 e 02/12 CGS (*5) 18/11e 26/11 via DXLD 27/12 RP
15325 R. Gazeta S. Paulo - SP 14:00-16:00 1 ver nota 1

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AAS - AntÙnio Avelino da Silva, Caruaru-PE / Tecsun DR 920 + antena telescÛpica
AS - Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina
CGS - Carlos GonÁaves, Portugal / Draker R-8E, JRC NRD-545; AR2 amp., 20 m T2FD, 45m inv. V, v·rios modelos de Beverage.
DXLD - Conforme citado nas DX Listening Digest - Worl of Radio divulgadas semanalmente por Glenn Hauser
F - Ferrari (PY2-EMF), S.Bernardo do Campo-SP / Tecsun PL 600 + loop magnÈtica
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NOTAS
1. A ausÍcia de recepÁ„o n„o indica que a emissora esteja desativada. Apenas n„o consta em nenhum relatÛrio de escuta durante o perÌodo abrangido.
2. As confirmaÁıes de recepÁ„o foram as publicadas na lista Radioescutas do DXCB ou DXLD - World of Radio editadas por Glenn Hauser.
3. Os dados de hor·rio de funcionamento e potÍncia de transmiss„o foram extraÌdos do site da Anatel. Advirto, todavia que n„o s„o confi·veis. Eu andei verificando hor·rio de encerramento de determinadas emissoras e constatei a n„o observ,ncia com os indicados no site. Quanto ‡ potÍncia, n„o h· como aferir.
4. Os interessados em enviar QSL's podem consultar os endereÁos das emissoras acessando o link: http://dxways-br.blogspot.com do Rudolf Grimm.
5. As informaÁıes contendo (*) representam desvio de frequÍncia conforme segue: (*1) 4878,5 kHz (*2) 4925,2 kHz (*3) 4935,2 kHz (*4) 9819,4 kHz (*5) 15191,4 kHz
6. A R. IntegraÁ„o de Cruzeiro do Sul-AC aparecei como inoperante no relatÛrio de novembro. Na verdade ela est· operante conforme citado no

DXLD 12-50.
7. TambÈm a R. Difusora Acreana de Rio Branco-AC que estava como inoperante no relatÛrio de novembro aparece como ouvida no DXLD 12-50.
8. No DXLD 12-52 lÍ-se o log (tentativo) de PFA relativo ‡ R. Educadora 6 de agosto de Xapuri-AC em 24/12
(Giuseppe Cysneiros, 3 January, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 6180 / 11780 Radio Nacional - Brasilia // 980 kHz

Confirmando o que j· fora informado antes: ‡ noite as frequÍncias da R·dio Nacional da AmazÙnia (6180 e 11780 kHz) est„o sendo usadas pela R·dio Nacional do Brasil (BrasÌlia, e n„o Rio de Janeiro). Agora h· pouco ouvi a identificaÁ„o ëcheiaí nos 11780 e informou ìZYH707, 980 kHz, R·dio Nacional, BrasÌlia, 300 mil Watt de potencia...í. A programaÁ„o e locuÁ„o È diferenciada em relaÁ„o ‡ Nacional do Rio de Janeiro, e pude observar que os noticiaristas (OM e YL) de cada hora tem a mesma voz dos apresentadores da Voz do Brasil. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, S„o Bernardo SP, http://dxways-br.blogspot.com DX Clube do Brasil, http://www.ondascurtas.com  Jan 3, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

That may be now and normally, but I definitely heard an ID for R. Nacional, Rio de Janeiro on the one occasion I reported it (gh, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 7169.57, ìYou Make Me Feel Brand Newî 0109. Still playing music at 0128. Goes without saying there was ham QRM. In the clear at 0134 still playing pop music. More of a rock song at 0139. Had to use LSB at this time to avoid the hams. Still about the same at 0143. Another romantic ballad at 0145. No announcements. 0146-0149 ìSunshine On My Shouldersî by John Denver. 0149-0153 "So Far Away" by Carol King. Seemed like some dead air but hard to tell as some ham was calling CQ. 0154-0158 recognized another ballad but can't recall. 0158-0202 "Almost Paradise". 0202-0205 ìAll By Myselfî remake of Eric Carmen`s song. Weakened but still getting bits of music at 0352. The signal very gradually faded but was on all night and could still barely be seen at 0856 drifting up to 7170.14. Found a signal on 7169.99 about a half hour later but might not have been it. Gradual fade suggests Europe. Certainly doesn't sound like a spur. Asked Dr. Tim in a chat a little later but he said nothing was reported. 6 Dec. (Dave Valko-PA)

7169.35, R. Jovem Pan (via ZY Pirate, presumed). Found again here at 0053 playing music. About the same strength as the previous night. Hams right on top at 0117. "Yesterday" by The Beatles at 0119. Seemed like a number of songs by M vocalist after 0230. 0308 noticed the signal moved around, not simply drifting; up to 7169.51. Fairly strong 0330 with music by presumably the same M vocalist. Up to 7169.81 by 0740 and 7169.86 by 0830. Per Glenn Hauser, in DXLD, from ZY DXers, this is presumably a ZY Pirate relaying this legal ZY station. They

hear the R. Jovem Pan programs around 1900, whereas I'm hearing nonstop music all night. I'll have to check earlier. 7 Dec (Dave Valko-PA, Jan NASWA LN via DXLD)

Pirata em 7170 kHz --- Pessoal, Ouvindo agora desde as 1730 (PY) [meaning UT -2? That`s not the only timezone in PY-land --- gh] emiss„o pirata em 7170 (AM). N„o sei se È a mesma que anteriormente transmitia nesta frequÍncia. Ouvi coment·rios que a emissora que operava nesta frequÍncia tinha sido descoberto e desativada pela ANATEL. O sinal È bom, e toca m˙sica internacional cantada! Antena - V invertido pra 40 metros. Receptor - Tecsun PL 210. Local da escuta - Ita˙na MG. 73 (Wilson Rodrigues, 9 de Jan de 2013 6:32 pm [zone?], radioescutas yg via DXLD)

… a mesma; n„o houve desativaÁ„o alguma. 73  Ric (Jo„o Ricardo Bergamini, PY4TW, Jan 10, ibid.)

** BULGARIA. The Mighty KBC testing on 6150 kHz --- We are testing our modulation on 6150 kHz on:

Thursday 10-1-2013 1000-1200 UT, Friday 11-1-2013 1300-1500 UT

We are using an old show of The Giant Jukebox. Please spread the word!! Mail your reception report to themightykbc @ gmail.com (KBC, 0838 UT Jan 9, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST; also via Alokesh Gupta, Mike Terry, dxldyg) No site given, of course (gh)

The test will come from a transmitter site in Bulgaria. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

Dear Friends, Tomorrow Thursday 10-01-2013 KBC Europe will do a test transmission on 6150 kHz from Kostinbrod (Bulgaria) between 10-12 hours UT. The test will be repeated on Friday 11-01-2013 between 15-16 hours UT [NOTE: Second time contradicts above info --- gh]

Transmitterpower will be 150 kW with a HR 4/4/1.5 directional antenna beaming on 306 degrees. Purpose of this test is to see if the signal is covering Ciraf Zones 27 + 28 better than the 6095 kHz from Wertachtal. Regards, (Jan Oosterveen, Jan 9, via Mauno Ritola, via Wolfgang B¸schel, shortwavesites yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

Now I checked via Austria remote rx and the signal is good. From where is your info about this being via Bulgaria? Must be Rohrbach. 73, (Mauno Ritola, via B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

Jan is the fq manager of KBC. Suffers even on the southern Graz Vienna Budapest location border. Is not a KITCHEN LIKE proper WER signal of S=9+40dB. Obviously THAT CAN't work, a 49 mb band frequency for the

Dutch truckers in central Europe should come from a central European transmitter site. I guess the truck have implemented only 49 mband access, like in past 50 years on Blaupunkt and Becker-Clarion car radios ??? A signal of let's say aged 50-70 kW transmitter from government outsourced Kostinbrod site should use - at least - a 31 mb channel in winter season, and 25 mb in summer season. 73 wb

ps: Mauno. Rohrbach Waal site is on air on 6070v kHz. 6069.993 tent R 6150 aus Rohrbach Waal, der Sprecher gibt echte englische Ortszeit an, ? ist das eine direkte ‹bernahme von einer Privatstation aus Albion? Wurde das Abspielen von CD Rocksound eingestellt?

6070 AOKI list shows R700 Kall instead, it's a faulty entry (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Nothing here in zone 18 at 1100. 73, Mauno Ritola, Finland, Jan 10, ibid.)

I only have the Sangean ATS-909X with me today, which is a little deaf on SW, but at 1140 UT the signal on 6150 kHz is weak to fair here in Romania (CIRAF 28) with deep fading. Much worse than the usual 6095 kHz (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), Jan 10, ibid.)

** CANADA. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THE ìAD MENî TOOK OVER CBC RADIO?
Say NO to ads on CBC Radio. Please sign the petition.

After deep budget cuts by the Harper government, the CBC plans to go more commercial including unlimited ads on Radio 2. How long will it be before the introduction of ads to the flagship Radio One service? Learn more at
http://www.friends.ca/ads/issues.html
Here is the text of the petition, together with the URL to go online to sign it.

PETITION TO THE CRTC: http://www.friends.ca/ads/

Faced with deep budget cuts, our national public broadcaster plans to become more commercial, including placing unlimited ads on some of its radio networks. Canadian media is already saturated with commercial advertising messages. Thatís why CBC Radio stands out as such a welcome contrast, a commercial-free oasis. If CBC is allowed to place ads on its radio network we will lose the last remaining commercial-free public space in our media. Please do not allow ads on CBC Radio. To date (January 4, 2013), 17,389 people have signed the petition (Friends of Canadian Broadcasting, via Jan CIDX Messenger via DXLD)

** CANADA. Noticed CBR 1010 was off the air on my drive home from work late tonight; perhaps the DXers among you will make use of this for

some good catches. Cheers, (Ricky Leong, Calgary, 0623 UT Jan 5, dxldyg via DXLD)

Members, I picked this up on DXLD from a few days ago. Ricky Leong in Calgary reported that CBR 1010 was off air on 5 January 2013. No follow-up has reached DXLD yet. I hope that it was just maintenance. Could my Canadian members possibly check the CRTC rulings. I doubt whether CBC themselves would announce an AM closure. I am slightly suspicious since there was no hint of this beforehand as far as I can tell. 73's and 88's (Dan Goldfarb, UK, Jan 8, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

On at least now at 1000 UT. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

** CANADA [and non]. 1550, CBEF Windsor ON; 2036-2100+, 3-Jan; French talk & music // 540. Mainly under WNTN also in French. Sacre bleu!

1550, WNTN, Newton MA; 2036-2100+, 3-Jan; French program to brief call ID at ToH & right back into the program. Web site shows a Haitian program Vwa Lakay for local Haitian community. I doubt this is the pgm being aired as the French talker mentioned Pakistan several times. Dominant one in the mix including CBEF also in French. MA #12 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. WYFR persuaded not to move to 6070 due to CFRX: See U S A

** CANADA [non]. GERMANY, 15470, BVB (Wertachtal) 1458-1500* 23 Dec. Closing Sunday 14-15 English religious broadcast from "Hope International" (p-mail address in Omaha, NE & Newmarket (I think), ON), ended with BVB ID (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL600 + 4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHAD. 1/1: 6165, 2136 with Afro song then with LA song. Drums at 2159, then with news in French, talks about compatriots, S9 44333 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHAD. Still no sign of Zambia's missing ZNBC2 on 6165, but Chad is there: Radio Chad. 6165, N'Djamena. Jan 8, 2013, Tuesday. 1902-1908. French talk. ID by OM at 1904 sounded like "Radio Nationale Chadien". Poor, lots of atmospheric QRN. To Central Africa (EiBi). Jo'burg sunset 1705 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jan 9 was an excellent night for African reception. On 6165 had no Chad or Zambia at 0431 (just Cuba). By 0508 I must have just missed the sign on of Chad by a few minutes; Hi-Life music and in French (Ron Howard, California, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 5075, Voice of Pujiang, 1253-1303, Jan 2. In Chinese with ads; time pips; fair to good; // 3280 and 4950 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Pujiang, 5075, sent F/D eQSL letter in 2 days for follow-up to Feb 2011 report. v/s Qian (Victor) Xiaoyan. Report was sent to victor.pujiang (at) gmail.com. The station is now QSLing, see http://shortwavedxer.blogspot.com/2012/12/want-qsl-from-voice-of-pujiang.html for details (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9820, Beibu Bay Radio, Nanning, 1100-1112 Jan 8; Ballad at tune/in; M & W announcer with alternating talk in listed Vietnamese; battling with co-channel CNR-2 Xianyang; //5050-poor (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Firedrake Jan 4 before 2300:
13970, very poor at 2255; none lower
1355-1400 Jan 5, none found 12-16 MHz
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello all, quick note of a very strong Firedrake jammer heard tonight at 0030 UT on 11970, UT January 7th 2013. I rarely hear them at this time, usually more in the morning here in Montreal. Also 12670 quite strong at 0036 UT! 73 (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Quebec
http://www.youtube.com/officialswlchannel
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7390, CHINA, Firedrake jammer, 1412 poor signal. Presumed target is the VOA (not heard) who is registered with the HFCC for a Cantonese language broadcast via Tinang from 1300-1500 on this frequency. 1/8/13 (Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake Jan 8, 1456-1500: none found 12-17 MHz (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non?]. Domenica 31 dicembre 2012 [sic; that was lunedÏ --- gh]: Verso le 0709, su 9955 kHz, sopra a WRN via WRMI si Ë sentito il Firedrake (il famoso jamming di musica cinese) e, dopo 2 minuti circa, sparito il Firedrake Ë comparso il jamming cubano. L'impressione avuta Ë che il Firedrake venisse ripetuto dal trasmettitore cubano *per errore* (!?) e che poi, rendendosene conto, abbiano commutato di nuovo (manualmente? ) sul jamming cubano destinato a WRMI. Sarebbe anche vero che d'inverno, sempre presso il mio QTH ma credo in generale in Europa, in mattinata sui 31 metri transitano anche segnali asiatici, perÚ il fade-in dalla Cina popolare inizia di solito verso le 1000 UT. Immaginando una certa 'vicinanza culturale' tra Cina e Cuba, sarebbe

possibile l'ipotesi che, in caso di necessit‡ (propagazione, orari, target, problemi tecnici ecc.) il Firedrake venga irradiato non solo dal territorio cinese? (Luca Botto Fiora, QTH G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, playdx yg via DXLD)

[and non]. 9955, Jan 9 at 1510, Firedrake is atop RFA Tibetan via TINIAN, which is on 9955 during this hour only; WRMI is in weekdaily 8-hour break from SW at 15-23, but lite Cuban pulse jamming can still also be heard for good (bad) measure. Luca Botto Fiora, Italy had also heard FD on 9955 at 0709 Dec 31, and wondered if it was really transmitted from Cuba, by mistake? Surely not, altho with Cuba anything can happen and they do have a program feed line from the same SARFT building in Beijing providing both Firedrake and CRI. I`ve yet to suspect any FD via CUBA, but rarely listening at that hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. I have to give credit to CRI's "China Drive". Very good propaganda job. If I didn't know better I would not realize I was listening to a communist broadcaster. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, Manassas, Virginia, USA, Jan 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Why to divide into capitalists and communists? On shortwave we are all equal. You don't want me to explain you the dark side of capitalism, do you? 73! (Georgi from Bulgaria Bancov, ibid.)

Not only are we all equal, but it's all propaganda, isn't it? (Dave Hughes, ibid.)

It has always been a propaganda, am I right? (Bancov, ibid.)

** CONGO DR [non]. 11795, 01/Jan 1653, No signal from R Okapi, neither here in my QTH and nor in Nederlands (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, listening with remote radio in Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CROATIA [and non]. 3985, V Croatia with what I think was the final English broadcast on SW [not quite, it turned out --- gh]. Croatia Today with news, sports & weather for Croatia, including an item about the ìfiscalizationî system introduced in Croatia which requires all businesses report their bills to customers (talk about big brother!) and the VAT increase to 5% on things like bread & milk in Croatia. Weíre sure to hear lots about this sort of thing in our local media now that SW is gone, Iím sure. At :05 they had the same announcement as yesterday saying that as of 1/Jan/2013 they would no longer be using SW, giving URL for more info http://www.hrt.hr/voiceofcroatia and closing with the rather incongruous ìAll the best, Croatian Radioî. They then provided a schedule including the SW frequencies at :06 into Croatian Pop music with no announcements. This channel was

poor 2+3432 but // 7375 from Germany was better than yesterday: 4+4+4+44. Another one bites the dust! 0258-0318 31/Dec (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

Deanovec is still on 7370, coming in as good or rather poor as one can expect it from a 10 kW outlet (Kai Ludwig, Germany, 1119 UT Dec 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Croatia heard in Spanish at 0050 Jan 1 on 7375, then into Croatian at 0100. Solid signal, presumably for the last time. Wasn't aware Spanish was scheduled at this time although I usually don't check 7375 this early. Maybe special scheduling for the last night on SW? (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7375 has been a blowtorch tonight. Much stronger than usual. S9+10 on avg with peaks seen up to +25. Using a Perseus SDR with an ALA1530S+. Broadcast came on at 2300Z. Program in English 0030-0045Z and program in Spanish 0045-0100Z. Signal is still very strong at 0137Z (currently Croatian music). (Greg Putrich, Minneapolis, Minnesota, UT Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Usual English from Croatia at 0300 Jan 1 on 7375. Coverage of Presidential New Year's speech, which dealt with the economic woes of the country in 2012, and comments from the prime minister about the budget "not about savings, but the money isn't there" which probably explains the SW cuts.

No mention of this being the final SW broadcast. Also closing schedule announcement covered satellite/Internet/MW distribution, but no SW. Strong signal into Houston tonight (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, ibid.)

3985 - Nothing noted here at 2110 UT. Normally this puts in a fair signal at by this time and is usually the beat on 90 meters later. KBS 3955 via Woofferton is in at poor level but I can hear it. Croatia likely gone for good. Still hearing them on MW 1134 Right now, 2112, with a poor signal but can definitely hear YL & OM audio. This is one of the best transatlantic MW signals on the band and is normally one of the earliest ones to fade in. Judging by the signal level now it would appear that it will not be a good night for Transatlantic DX here on Cape Cod (Stephen C Wood, Harwich, Mass., Jan 1, ibid.)

Croatia is on 7375 kHz and been listening since 0004Z. Another powerhouse of a signal. Not sure why they're on as thought yesterday was the last broadcast. Checked their online schedules and they show no 7375. Well, going to listen & enjoy it while it`s on. 0000-0100Z was not English. The 0100Z program has started and not English.

Could it be they just got rid of their English, Spanish, and German

language programs and kept Croatian and others???? Right now, I do not know. On the Glas Hrvatske schedule, no 7375 is listed (Greg Putrich Minneapolis, MN, UT Jan 2, ibid.)

Voice of Croatia still on via Nauen from the old East Germany but 3985 direct from Deanovec is still off. Perhaps, despite their plans, they had a contract with Nauen that has to run until the end of March. Either that or they old planned to close Deanovec. Perhaps someone in Asia or the Pacific can confirm whether the transmissions via Singapore are still on or not (Mark Coady, Ont., dxingwithcumbre yg via Jorge Freitas, UT Jan 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

7375, 02/Jan 0049 Germany (Relay), Croatian Radio in Croatian. Sequence of dance music. 45433 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia-Brazil, Degen 1103-dipole antenna of 16 meters-East / West My blog http://www.ipernity.com/doc/75006 dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I suspect that this being the holiday season, no one at M&B has updated the automation, so the computers are still accessing the satellite feed and powering up the transmitters. Might be the same situation as what happened at Sackville the first few days of B-12 where the transmitters kept powering up on the old schedule and running whatever was on the feed line. The Croatian domestic transmitters are already off, so appears to be a mistake in Germany. 7375 booming into Houston at a 0100 check Jan 2 (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7375, 02/Jan 0310 Germany (Relay) Croatian Radio in English. ID by OM and YL, then pop music. Very good signal in my Degen, almost local (Jorge Freitas, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7375, 02/Jan 0330 Germany (Relay) Croatian Radio in Spanish. YL with ID, then presents newscast. Good signal (Jorge Freitas, ibid.)

Loud and clear on January 2, 2013 with Latin pops, an ID in Croatian at 0535 and then Euro pop music on 7375 via Nauen, Germany. Excellent signal (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, Eton E1-XM, A/D DX Sloper, ibid.)

Dear DX-friends, I checked the broadcasts to Europe from the Voice of Croatia last evening and this morning. 3985 and 7370 are completely dead (both from Deanovec transmitter). They used to be heard strongly in Denmark at all scheduled times. But on MW (AM) 1134 kHz the Zador transmitter is still heard strongly in the evening. So we can conclude that it is the Deanovec transmitter, which has closed by New Year and not Voice of Croatia broadcasts from other transmitters. Best 73, (Anker Petersen, Denmark, Jan 2, DXplorer via Mauno Ritola, dxldyg via

DXLD)

Also 17860, 0700-1100 is silent since yesterday. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Jan 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Singapore relay (gh)

Croatia completely gone from SW --- Nothing heard on 7375 at 0100 Jan 3, so M&B finally pulled the plug on Voice of Croatia to NA (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, ibid.)

I asked Walter Brodowsky at Media Broadcasting about Croatia still being on the air in January. Here is his reply: "Many thanks for your kind feedback. No, the transmission is cancelled since today. It was our initiative to leave it on the tx due to the fact that we had not received a clear statement how to proceed. Best regards, Walter`` 73, (Rich D`Angelo, PA, Jan 2, NASWA yg via DXLD

1134 MW, 1845-1920, HRV, 03.01, Voice of Croatia, Zador. News in Hungarian, 1900 in German and 1905 in English, Croatian talk and ID's, 45555 (Anker Peterseen, Skovlunde, Denmark, on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

Last two nights have been tuning in just in case. Alas, 7375 dead as it can be. Will miss them very much. Fortunately, have a bunch of recordings, but now wish I had more (Greg Putrich, Minneapolis, MN 0333 UT Jan 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Sad, I wasn't a regular listener (and probably no one else was either) but I thought their 15 minute broadcast of the news was well done.

The only European I see on solid ground transmitting to North America is Romania. I think Russia is in the ICU, Albania is on life support, Turkey in the ICU, and I can't think of any other Euro who targets North America anymore (Pat Blakely, SC, ibid.)

Greece, Serbia and Spain (Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine, IBID.)

Radio Slovakia and Radio Prague have some ridiculous transmissions via WRMI (Georgi Bancov, Bulgaria, ibid.)

They are not so ridiculous -- sometimes I can axually hear them atop the jamming, which I certainly cannot direct from Slovakia or Czechia (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

I don't think that both stations may gain popularity in North America with broadcasting via 50 kW transmitter on a complicated schedule and under a wall of noise; not in 21st century. Just my opinion. 73! (Georgi Bancov, ibid.)

** CUBA. (local solar high noon is at about 1228). 530 kHz, 1700z (1100 local), 1 Jan, easy listening music (verrrry easy), no vocals, woman talking softly at 1718, 1731, 1736, 1739. Too weak to understand what she said but I'm pretty sure it was Spanish. Barely audible by 1745. Probably groundwave from Cuba (roughly 75% of the path is over water). Havana is about 1050 miles southeast (J Lenamon, Waco TX, Jan 2, ABDX via DXLD) But skywave should also be possible now at midwinter even this far south (gh, DXLD)

** CUBA. 1210, Radio Rebelde, unknown site. 1226 December 31, 2012. Rebelde sounders and ID, poor and co-channel a lot of things plus the ever-present 1210.20-ish Latin American het (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, Pile of junk used:  JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Hammarlund HQ-180A; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phase; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 5855, ("numbers station"), Jan 1, 0545, Very strong. I have noted new trend with these broadcasts, mixing the analog vox numbers with non-voice digital emissions. Typically, there will be a group of five numbers read by F in Spanish, alternating with a couple of minutes of digital data. This goes on to close at the ToH (Rick Barton, AZ, ABDX via DXLD)

SOUTH JAMMERSTAN: 9955 Buzz-Pulse Jammer; 2047, 1-Jan; Nothing sked for WRMI and no other audio detected (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Having just entered 9810 and 6120 in updated DX/SWL/Media Programs listing, as possible frequencies for RHC English during the 0500 hour, since several times has been so instead of scheduled Spanish, I check 9810 at 0545 Jan 4, just in time to hear undermodulation from that annoying-voiced YL in English switch to OM in Spanish. I`m sure she keeps RHC`s ratings down even further beyond the unwanted propaganda and monomania about Los Cinco.

6165, Jan 6 at 0609, RHC English is instead open carrier/dead air in yet another SNAFU. Along with 6010 and 5040, this is its strongest frequency here; those and weaker // 6060, 6125, were unaffected.

At 0626 on 6165, guess what, digital noises, interrupted by Spanish spy numbers! YL with one 5-digit group only, ``45411``, then back to noises, further interrupted by other single groups past 0635. Is this its new format or may we somewhen else still hear long strings of groups on AM or cut CW?

This makes it painfully obvious that RHC is an integral part of the DirecciÛn General de Inteligencia, sharing transmitters, so it`s easy to get RHC on spy frequencies or vice versa. (Easy, that is, if you are run by incompetents.) Not the first time it`s happened, by far, but the most blatant in recent memory.

Not exactly an exchange --- spy numbers normally appear on some frequencies between 5.8 and 5.9 MHz, but none at this time, nor any RHC to be heard on former spy frequencies [WORLD OF RADIO 1651]

9511 approx., Jan 6 at 1413, weak spurblob around here, presumably from also weak RHC 9540, as frequently happens.

15340, Jan 6 at 1425, RHC is dead-air on huge carrier, as most likely to happen on Sundays in reverent respect for the missing El Hugazo; shux, no spy numbers instead here. Still DA at 1520, and by now 13780 is completely off the air.

17580, one of the still funxioning frequencies, meanwhile, I monitored at 1435-1450 Sunday Jan 6, for the first `En Contacto` of 2013y. After listener birthday salutes for the week to come, as usual every year, repeated last week`s salutes to the 129 ``most active listeners`` of the past year. I assume this means everyone who axually wrote directly to the program. They are in 12 groups, starting with one listener from Nicaragua, to first place again, 23 from --- CUBA!

Makes you wonder if the show is also carried on domestic radio, but I don`t think so. Dentrocubanos feel comfortable writing to this one safe shortwave station, and also save on postage costs needed for meagre rations. Except for Spain, all names were from the Americas, almost all Latin, including a few from EE UU y Canad·. Brazilian name pronunciations were forced into Spanish, even JosÈ. AFAIK, RHC has no DX program in Portuguese, so they have to listen to Spanish.

5855, Jan 7 at 0537, YL 5-digit Spanish number group, ``38500`` just one, and on to digital tones, etc., etc., alternating. Nothing unusual noted on RHC frequencies tonight. Dave Hughes replied to my previous report: [WORLD OF RADIO 1651]

``6165 numbers snafu last night --- Hi Glenn, I saw your log of 6165 last night. I was perusing the recent Enigma newsletter about the new Cuban numbers mode and decided to see if they were on air. It took me less than 5 seconds to find them on 5855 at 0530. Here is my log of the ensuing Cuban spy screwups:
http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,9519.0.html

I once tried to QSL a recording I made of DX'ers Unlimited cutting off and coming back as the `atenciÛn` numbers. They not only ignored me

but stopped sending me stuff, calendars, new years cards etc. Guess it`s a sore spot with them. D. Hughes KCMO``.

11860, Jan 7 at 1358 is today`s dead-air frequency of RHC, still so at 1501 but now with SAH and CCI from Iran in Russian at 1430-1530, 500 kW, 320 degrees from Sirjan. There`s another collision in Russian, from France at 1400-1430.

17730, Jan 7 at 1414, here`s another, or maybe just barely modulated, while 17580 is nominal. By 1501, 17730 has improved to barely modulated.

17730, Jan 8 at 1425, RHC is dead air; by 1521 I can detect it`s JBM - just barely modulated, so the winner today is still SAUDI ARABIA [q.v.] on 17715. All other RHC frequencies noticed were nominal on 17, 15, 13, 11 and 9 MHz bands.

11880, Jan 10 at 2132 checking whether NHK Portuguese via GUIANA FRENCH is still under RHC Portuguese --- can`t tell, but RHC is in French instead; must be running late. Recheck 2158: no, still in French, so must have mixed up the playback tapes with 2100, typical incompetence (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 5025, Jan 4 at 1022, R. Rebelde `Haciendo Radio` morning show with report from a Venezuelan official about Ch·vez` condition, pulmonary problems, and warning against evil foreign powers pushing destablization of the Bolivarian Revolution (what would SimÛn say?) because of uncertainty about the health of El Hugazo. Strangely, no audio breakup or RTTY QRM at the moment (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. 16648-16673, Jan 8 at 1458, strong over-the-horizon radar pulses, presumed from here in typical 25-kHz bandwidth, tough luck for any marine users of these frequencies.

13960-13985, Jan 9 at 1519, OTH radar pulses, presumed from here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS TURKISH. CYPRUS [Northern Turkish occupied area], Radio Bayrak 6150 kHz {in a letter to Mauno Ritola and Costa Constantinides}

Dear Costa / Dear Mauno, Thank you very much for your good wishes for the holiday season. May I also express my best wishes for the new year. Let us hope it will be a better year for all of us, bringing along peace and tranquility to all humanity, especially to those who need it most. I also hope that you have had your good times with the family and friends during the holidays.

As for Radio Bayrak International on the shortwave, the transmitter is still on the air, however with a reduced power. You may recall as I had told you in the past, that the damage to the antenna system is much bigger than we had anticipated. We did some repair job, but it still needs a lot of renovation. There is, however, a big discussion going on about cutting the expenses in all areas, due to the recent economic crisis. The government is considering the close-down of the shortwave services, which I strongly oppose. But this situation has caused the flow of all finances to be stopped and I guess I will have to put in a lot of extra effort to possibly secure some finances aimed at the renovation of the system. Wish me luck; it is a tough job.

Apart from, and alongside, my profession, I have been a radio enthusiast ever since my childhood. I built my first tx and rx at very young ages. I have operated as a radio amateur for a long time. I know very well how DX'ing adds to our joy and how it serves as a means for training the young individuals, as well as serving for the encounters of the people from different parts of the world. I will definitely do my best to put the system back on the air with maximum power, as I beleive such activities make world a better place.

Thank you very much for your interest in Radio Bayrak International. I also apologize for the late response. I am not able to check this mail when I am away from office or travelling, unless I have my old-style lap-top with me.

Kind Regards, Mustafa TOSUN Dept. Head, Transmissions Dept. BRTK tel. +90 392 225 25 09; fax. +90 392 225 60 61 (via Costa Constantinides, Limassol-CYPRUS, Jan 2, via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 5 via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

All over the world magnificent transmitters and antennas were dismantled to scrap recently --- though would play a good job on this island instead (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

** CZECHIA. Domenica 31 dicembre 2012 [sic --- it was lunedÏ -- gh]: 1540-1555 - 6326 kHz, RADIO BILA DIRA, Ceco+EE, musica locale e IDs OM. Segnale sufficiente-insufficiente. Anche questa emittente, come Bila Hora, trasmette solo fra 31 dicembre e 1  gennaio? (Luca Botto Fiora, QTH G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, playdx yg via DXLD)

** CZECHIA. [Re 12-52:] Radio Bila Hora QSL --- According to their QSL (pdf via E-Mail) this was their last broadcast on SW? The semi-detailed QSL (reported time of reception is missing) provides a look into their studio. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, Jan 1, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** DIEGO GARCIA. 4319 USB, AFN, 1443-1455, Jan 4. Fair-good; ìA-F-N Pacific Reportî; item about Kadena AFB Okinawa fire prevention training (I was stationed there for over two and a half years in mid-60s); ìGravity, the party stationî with pop songs. https://www.box.com/s/t0wqtomu2hs7p2s3y7vo

4319 USB, AFN, 1507-1520, Jan 6. A second day of fair to good reception (no QRM); program ìA-F-N Legacyî playing classic rock; ìOne minute in historyî; PSA to donate blood; frequent ìA-F-N Legacyî IDs.

4319 USB, AFN. Jan 7 makes for a third consecutive [?] day without QRM; 1348 ìGravity, the party stationî playing pop songs; fair. While Guam was off the air for a second day.

4319 USB, AFN. Jan 8 makes for the fourth consecutive day without QRM; 1318 and subsequent checks till 1444. Amazing! Guam still silent for third straight day (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ARQUIP…LAGO DAS CHAGOS, 4319 AFN, Diogo Garcia, 2213-2228, 06/1, inglÍs, selecÁ„o de m˙sica pop'; 44343, QRM adjacente. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DJIBOUTI. 4780, Jan 4 at 0339, fair signal with Horn of Africa music, occasionally overridden by ``running-water`` ute bursts. RTD with 50 kW per WRTH. Otherwise, about the same signal as 4930 VOA Botswana with 100 kW. This exotic spot is a relatively easy catch on 60m, always neat to hear. Not in HFCC, of course, and I wonder if that`s why Voice of Russia chose 4780 too in their evenings. They should have known it was there by 1) keeping up with DX bulletins; or 2) turning on a radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. I found an official document about R Centro Imbabura. Too bad I don't read or speak Spanish. Anyway, the link is below.
http://www.supertel.gob.ec/resoluciones/images/stories/RESOLUCIONES/2012/IRN%202012/ST-IRN-2012-0152.pdf
JL (Jerry Lenamon, TX, Jan 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The document states that the SW frequency was monitored last year and found to have been silent for more than 8 consecutive days. The licensee was requested to submit an explanation. He did not comply. Failing to offer a public service and not giving an explanation thereof was a breach of the contract upon which the license permit had been granted. And so the licensee was fined (Henrik Klemetz, Sweden, ibid.)

Basically, the document says the station has been noted to be off-air for a week, thus incurring in a fault. They impose the owner of the

station a US$20 fine (Eduardo Peralta, Argentina, ibid.)

Thanks for the translations. Perhaps the owner didn't want to return the license so he simply resumed relaying his AM or FM stations. JL (Lenamon, ibid.)

3380, presumed R. Centro, 1046-1102 Jan 7 Spanish; Light LA music; M announcer at ToH; very weak & way under QRN floor; noted again 1/8 at same time with same format & conditions; Tnx R. Wilkner tips (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. EQUADOR, 4781.7, R. Oriental, Tena, 0001-0002* (!), 04/1, castelhano, texto; 25442. O sinal desapareceu abruptamente, ‡s 0002. Melhor captaÁ„o em 06/1, pelas 2310. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4781.70, Radio Oriental, Tena, massive signal, 1/5 1100 tune-in, shortly after sign-on, and holding up past 1130. Tropical rhythms, cumbias, scattered HC pasillos and one endless sample of HC electronic ìhouse musicî which pounded away for 8 minutes, 1109-1117. Familiar usual advertisers heard, like ìElectric Ambatoî and ìBanco del Barrioî. As always, live announcer is very low signal compared to nice, strong audio on all recorded portions of the program. OM at 1120, after kids sang short rendition of ìSilent Nightî: ìSeÒores y seÒoras, son las 6 de la maÒana y 20 minutos en Radio Oriental . . .î A favorite daily visitor (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100, Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands), 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. Looking at the HCJB 690/6050 program schedule, I see that `Spotlight`, the 15-minute English cum-religious lesson show presented in English, is scheduled: UT Tue-Sat 0330, Sat 1730 & 2345:
http://www.radiohcjb.org/am/horario-de-programacion.html
Schedules of English-language SW broadcasts should include this (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. Programacion y nueva frecuencia Radio el Cairo

PROGRAMACI”N DEL PRIMER SEMESTRE DE 2013

Correo Postal: Radio El Cairo, Progrma en EspaÒol, A.P. 566, El Cairo, Egipto
Correo ElectrÛnico: radioelcairoespa@gmail.com
P·gina Oficial en Facebook: Radio El Cairo (Programa en EspaÒol)

P·gina Oficial en Youtube: RadioElCairo
P·gina Web (Bajo ConstrucciÛn): http://www.ertu.org/radioelcairoespa
Tiempo Universal Coordinado (UTC) y (GMT): 0045ñ0200
Hora Local de El Cairo: 02:45 ñ 04:00

VÌa: Onda Corta
Banda: 22 m, Frecuencia: 13855 KHz.
Banda: 22 m, Frecuencia: 13620 KHz.
Banda: 31 m, Frecuencia: 9720 KHz.

VÌa: SatÈlite
Nilesat: 7 grados oeste.
Frecuencia: 11766 MHz.
Polaridad: Horizontal.
Programa N˙mero: 7
(Mowagahat-8).

(via JUAN FRANCO CRESPO, Jan 8, DXLD) plus full program schedule. Se lo adelanto al pedido (gh)

9720 - R. Cairo. Finally some listenable audio over this frequency. It has been a few weeks, or more, since the last time I actually had any audio here. Heard theme music at 0214 to YL with news headlines and into news in detail all in English. Had to tune slightly off frequency in USB to get any decent audio. Still only 60-70% of program audible. Deep hum with fades and moderate static. Overall poor but at least the modulation has improved, just slightly, enough to listen again (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass., UT Jan 9, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. ex: TDP*-DRM mp3-Stream now replaced by Radio Assena, Eritrea HOA.

Beim Aktualisieren diverser Links auf meiner Lesezeichen-Seite stellte ich gerade fest, dass unter gleicher Streamadresse vom ehemaligen DRM-TDP-Radio nun Radio Assena / Eritrea streamt:

http://s4.viastreaming.net:8960/> (d.h. sogar identischer Port)
http://s4.viastreaming.net:8960/played.html>

Die Qualitaet des gerade laufenden Songs ist ja fuer HOA-Verhaeltnisse geradezu grandios. (Roger-D, Net-Radio Jan 1)
TDP / BRB Broadcast Belgium Mr. Ludo Maes. (BCDX Jan 5 via DXLD)

** ERITREA. ERITREIA, 7165, Voz das Massas, Selai Dairo, 1916-1930*, 29/12, dialecto local, entrevista, canÁıes locais; 44433 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. ETI”PIA, 1359, Voz da RevoluÁ„o do TigrÍ, Mekele, 1919-1933, 06/1, dialecto local, canÁıes do Corno de ¡frica, texto, chamadas de ouvintes; 24432. // 5950. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 6030, Radio Oromiya (tentative), 0408-0415, Jan 7. Talk

show (news?); language sounded right to be them. Was Monday (UT) so R. Marti was already off; was not Calgary, as I heard their C&W songs on 1060; poor under Cuban jamming; fairly confident it was them. Has been a long time since I last heard them (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. ETI”PIA, 9705, R. EtiÛpia, Geja Jawe, 1713-1754, 30/12, prgr em lÌngua local, texto, canÁıes da regi„o, chamadas de ouvintes, prgr em ·rabe, ‡s 1730, texto, m˙sica do Corno de ¡frica; 44433. ¿s 1800, o sinal ficou c/ portadora vazia, presumÏvelmente, por fecho da emiss„o (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FALKLAND ISLANDS [non]. LA RADIO QUE SON” EN MALVINAS PARA "DESMORALIZAR" A LOS ARGENTINOS

Entre los archivos secretos que desclasificÛ el gobierno brit·nico sobre la guerra, hay documentos que hablan de los motivos que llevaron a la creaciÛn de la emisora en espaÒol Radio Atl·ntico del Sur, dirigida a los soldados

Por *Lucrecia Bullrich
http://www.lanacion.com.ar/autor/lucrecia-bullrich-3
| LA NACION

http://www.lanacion.com.ar/1542000-la-radio-que-sono-en-malvinas-para-desmoralizar-a-los-argentinos
(via Horacio Nigro, Uruguay, condiglist yg via DXLD)

El objetivo est· planteado de manera taxativa: "Maximizar el uso de la radio para desmoralizar a las tropas argentinas; reforzar entre los soldados la sensaciÛn de aislamiento y reducir su voluntad de resistir ataques". Es el eje sobre el que gira un informe que el Ministerio de Defensa brit·nico elaborÛ el 13 de mayo de 1982 para proponer al gobierno de Margaret Thatcher la creaciÛn de Radio Atl·ntico del Sur, una emisora que se escuchÛ en las islas Malvinas desde entonces hasta el final de la guerra. El informe consta en los documentos sobre el conflicto desclasificados por Londres y difundidos la semana ˙ltima...

FUENTE:
http://www.lanacion.com.ar/1542000-la-radio-que-sono-en-malvinas-para-desmoralizar-a-los-argentinos
Imagen de:
http://www.psywarrior.com/RadioLeaflet2.html

Organization: British government black PSYOP operation against Argentine troops occupying the Falkland Islands. Station was operated by the Royal Air Force's Operations, Electronic Warfare and Radio Division with £10-20,000 per week.

Location: BBC transmitters, United Kingdom
Languages: Spanish
Identification (Spanish): Radio Atlantico del Sur
Active: May 20, 1982 - June 15, 1982
(En ClandestineRadio.com Enlace:
http://www.clandestineradio.com/intel/station.php?id=206&stn=556
via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

"STRANGE PROXY WAR" OF ADS IN UK AND ARGENTINIAN NEWSPAPERS OVER FALKLANDS DISPUTE. Posted: 07 Jan 2013

The Guardian, 2 Jan 2013, Luke Harding and Uki Goni "Thirty years after Britain and Argentina went to war over the Falklands, Argentina's populist president, Cristina Fern·ndez de Kirchner, has returned to the fray with a blistering attack on British 'colonialism' and a demand to hand back 'Las Malvinas'. In a stinging letter to David Cameron, Fern·ndez urges the UK to abide by a 1960 United Nations resolution urging member states to 'end colonialism in all its forms and manifestations'. ...

Her letter is published as an advert (pdf) in Thursday's Guardian and other newspapers. ... The advert in Thursday's Guardian seems to have been prepared in absolute secrecy to ensure maximum impact. A source at Fern·ndez's press office said that even they had been kept in the dark about it."

The Sun, 4 Jan 2013, Alex West, Neil Syson & Graeme Wilson: "We have published our own letter in a Buenos Aires paper to warn her: Hands off our territory. ... We fired off our newspaper message to Kirchner in her native Spanish. She accused Britain of stealing the islands in adverts placed in left-wing British papers The Guardian and Independent. But in an open letter today in the Buenos Aires Herald ... The Sun tells her Britain has had sovereignty there before Argentina even existed."

Metro, 4 Jan 2013, Mark Molloy: "Argentines have reacted angrily by burning adverts and British flags after the Sun newspaper took out a full page advert in an Argentinian newspaper warning president Cristina Fern·ndez de Kirchner to keep her ëhands offí the Falkland Islands."

Politics.co.uk, 4 Jan 2013, Ian Dunt: "British newspapers entered into a strange proxy war over the Falklands Islands today, after the Sun published an advert in Argentina's Buenos Aires Herald addressing the territorial dispute. ... While the Guardian was widely criticised yesterday for allowing the ad space to be sold, the Sun also won few plaudits for its move." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** FRANCE. 17615, Jan 8 at 1604, a much weaker station has inherited frequency from SAUDI ARABIA [q.v.] which broadcast dead air for at least a sesquihour. African music and 1605 announcement. HFCC shows RFI in Hausa, 500 kW, 170 degrees from Issoudun at 1600-1700 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GABON [and non]. 9580, Radio Afrique No.1, 2210-2223+, 10-Jan; Hyper French DJ with Afro-pop music. ID as RANU, not just ANU as usual. SIO=3+32+ in USB needed to minimize QRM from 9579.2 Radio Medi Un (presumed); last logged on 9579.1, so creeping upfreq? RANU impossible in AM. (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Radio 6150 testing newly arrived transmitter

From Radio6150 Via Garry Stevens Pirate/Free Radio Board January 9:

"7.25 a.m. Yesterday the TX finally arrived. Tests will start at the latest on Saturday.

6.40 p.m. First tests running right now. Power is 750 watts. Please support us, send your report to: frb@radio6150.de
Saturday starting to test with the power amplifier (some kilowatts)."

Not audible here 2130 January 9 on 6070 via the Twente Online receiver, clear frequency. I did notice that the 6060 Iran transmitter in Arabic was distorted and causing splatter, including on 6070.

Noted on the Twente online receiver at 1350 January 10 S9 to S9+10, very weak and fluttery here, 6005 and 6085 Kall also weaker than usual and fluttery (Mike Barraclough, Letchworth Garden City, UK, Jan 10, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. 7265, Hamburger LokalRadio, 0552-0700, 05-01, Portuguese, comments, male, at 0600 identification and program in English "Hamburger LokalRadio Short Wave", comments and Glenn Hauser's "World of Radio" program at 0630. 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Sony ICF SW 7600G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxdlyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. Changes of Deutsche Welle from Jan. 1, 2013:
Chinese, all cancelled, no short wave broadcasts
1300-1330 on  9610 SNG 100 kW / 013 deg to EaAs
1300-1400 on 11600 SNG 250 kW / 013 deg to EaAs
1300-1400 on 13700 DHA 250 kW / 060 deg to EaAs
English
0500-0530 NF 7425 ASC 250 kW / 100 deg to SoAf, ex 9800 KIG

Portuguese
0530-0600 NF 7425 ASC 250 kW / 100 deg to SoAf, ex 9800 KIG
(DX RE MIX NEWS #762 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon Jan. 7, 2013 via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

12070, RWANDA, DW, 1948 English, political discussion about Morocco, then report on how DW will mark ìWagner 200î the 200th anniversary of composer Richard Wagnerís birth. See
http://www.dw.de/top-stories/wagner-200/s-31774
Fair Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RWANDA. 12070, Jan 6 at 2117, Strong signal from Deutsche Welle's Kigali transmitter in English. "Inside Europe" program with delightful reporting on European foodie culture and a listener's contest (David Williams, Sacramento, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GOA. INDIA/CHINA, 11774.984, Chinese CNR 'talk' jammer against AIR Goa Panaji transmissions in Tibetan at 1215-1330 UT, is ALSO STILL ON AIR service at AIR's Nepali service later at 1330-1430 UT.

11669.966, Strange odd signal of AIR Dari service 1315-1415 UT, requested is Bangalore transmitter center, but I guess such odd frequency occurs from Goa Panaji site instead. S=9+25dB even in eastern Europe remote units. Logged on Tokyo remote receiver (Wolfgang B¸schel, Jan 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GOA [and non]. 11740, INDIA (GOA), All India Radio 2135 English, woman with a profile of the Andaman Islands. Fair, // 11670 (best), 11620, 9445, 7550, all via Bengaluru, Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. 7475, Jan 6 at 0613, Orthodox chanting/singing; it`s Epiphany = Greek Orthodox Xmas, and the sound is a bit more formal than usual on other Sundays, otherwise unremarkable. So Radio Philia has again been banished from 7475, instead // mainstream VOG much weaker 9420 tonight, but 7475 dumps off the air at 0622*-*0625; when back it`s also subnormal with some flutter following propagation disturbance (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. [non log]. AFN. Both 5765 USB and 13362 USB not heard Jan 2 with random checking from 1226 to 1406 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 15260, UT Saturday Jan 5 at 2201, nice SE Asian music,

involving gamelan, fair-good sufficient signal; 2206 announcement sounds almost Indonesian with keyword ``siaran``, IDs something like ``Radio Athrem Dewara`` plus two more words; back to vocal music. By 2215 talk mentions ``Christus``, a dead giveaway it`s a missionary station.

HFCC and Aoki agree it`s KSDA, 255 degrees from Agat, alternating Javanese on Sun/Tue/Thu, with Sundanese on Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat, so this must have been the latter; but what is the true wording of the ID? AWR website is no help; has lots of listening options, such as
http://www.awr.org/fr/listen/program/124
but nothing in print about the axual ID! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA. 4055, Radio Verdad 1144, I was intrigued to hear a preacher in Japanese until 1149, then organ  music followed by several IDs and station announcements in Spanish. Fair Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUYANA. A Happy New Year all round! The very strong commercial station around 3290 kHz was noted as absent here this morning (0700 UT 1/1) leaving the channel clear, but couldn't hear Guyana. Not sure if they are still active? 73's (Nick Rank, Buxton UK, ICF2001D, ALA1530 loop, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

``commercial`` = utility, nothing to do with advertising. RTTY?

3290 Guyana last reported on July 27, 2012, as in
http://www.w4uvh.net/dxld1231.txt
(Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** ICELAND. 189, Rikisutvarpid, (presumed); 0208-0215+, 30-Dec; Peppy M with pop tunes. Fair peaks till faded into the buzz at 0214+. Only LWBC heard (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Does anyone know who is running DRM on 1080 kHz in this part of the world? Any idea of the power being run? Huge signal here nightly (Brock Whaley, Kandahar, AFGHANISTAN, UT Jan 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It's All India Radio from Rajkot with 25 kW, see http://www.drm-dx.de/ for more information. 73, (Daniel K%hler, Germany, ibid.)

Only 25 kW? Huge signal for that power. Clean however. No sideband spill over to 1071 or 1089. Many thanks for the link (Brock Whalye,

ibid.)

I know that the AIR transmitter on 1071 is running 1000 kW and has been widely heard. I, too, would expect the 1080 DRM co-located tx to be much more powerful (Walt Salmaniw, BC, ibid.)

Walt, The 1080 is about 700 miles from my QTH. In the analog days, they ran higher power and a DA antenna with a lobe in my direction. Maybe this is still the case. The DRM noise is as loud as any analog signal on the evening mw dial here. That makes me question the 25 kW power when it holds it own in terms of signal strength against megawatters in the region. Regards, (Brock Whaley, ibid.)

Strangely, WRTH 2013 gives no power for 1080, just ``DRM``, and no location either, tho we know it is Rajkot like 1071. I`ve hunted around for the DRM power, and can`t find any reference to it. The transmitter(s) consist of 3 x 400 kW, which can apparently be configured in various ways AM and/or DRM (gh, DXLD)

Please see the article on my visit to the station in the following link:
http://www.idxci.in/a-visit-to-super-power-transmitter-air-rajkot/#.UOacxuRJ5vA
-- Thanking you, Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, dxldyg via DX LISTEING DIGEST)

** INDIA. RIP - I. A. Hashmi, Dy. Director (Engg), SPT, AIR, Rajkot
http://airddfamily.blogspot.in/2013/01/obituary.html
He was the v/s for one of the rare direct QSL letters received from AIR Chhattarpur. --- (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Jan 8, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. 4850, AIR-Kohima, Dec 31 1314-1337, 33433, Hindi, Chorus music and talk, ID at 1332, QRM from PBS Xinjiang on co-channel (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4850, AIR Kohima, 1444-1510*, Jan 5. Subcontinent music; in Hindi; China QRM (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. UNIDs (suspect India), heard Hindu music at 1255 1/8 on 4940 and 4800 fading up as dawn approaches. Is AIR/Guwahati being heard on 4940 these days???? (Mike Nikolich, N9OVQ, Lake Barrington, IL, NRD-515, Alpha-Delta Sloper and Isotron 60 Antennas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Mike, Yes, AIR Guwahati is currently being heard here in Calif. mixing with the Voice of Strait on 4940. Please give a listen to a very brief MP3 recording at:
https://www.box.com/s/1nxragtf4xlqtdyq755e
(Ron Howard, dxldyg via DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 5040, AIR Jeypore. Jan 2 by 1307 poor audio, but earlier was fine; later checks found audio even poorer (progressively deteriorating!); by 1331 was almost unusable (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4840, AIR Mumbai, 1432-1435, Jan 9. News bulletin in English; mostly about the killing of two Indian soldiers by Pakistani troops in the Kashmir border area; almost fair.

4895.95v, AIR Kurseong, 1515, Jan 9. Noted off frequency and slight drift upwards; carrying the audio feed from New Delhi; tone and the start of the news in Hindi; // 4775, 4810, 4820.0 (light QRM), 4860, 4970, 5010, 5040 (still with poor audio) and 5050.

4990, AIR Itanagar. Believe had been off the air for over a week; Jan 9 heard strong open carrier at 1419; a check at 1428 found either a PSA or ad in Hindi; suddenly off at 1430; fair.

5050, AIR Aizawl, 1606-1630*, Jan 8. Non-stop pop songs in English; appropriately played the song ìHeard It On The Radioî; 1630 brief sign off announcement and off; in the clear, as BBR/China had already signed off (scheduled 1600*); poor to almost fair (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [and non]. INDIA/CHINA, 9575, AIR Bangalore in Tibetan language, S=8-9 fair signal on Tokyo remote receiver unit. But jammed by China mainland CNR word program relay, at 1230 UT Jan 8 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Re 13-01: dirty spurious signals in 31 mb --- Around 0830 UT also at 9595 kHz with AIR URDU program - presume same transmitter with bad modulation and noise - similar to PBC transmitters (Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, W.B., India, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 11670, Sat Jan 5 at 2143, AIR GOS good but with flutter, concluding talk about the Nicobar Islands I wish I had heard, introducing Film Music. Faded that out at 2200 with no announcements about what the music was, but always enjoyable: they must view it as just a filler. Meanwhile checked //s: about as good on 9445, but not so good on 11620 and 7550. Which ones are best varies a lot from day to day as we in North America must struggle to hear AIR via the only means possible, virtually trans-polar off-beams, never any relays

abroad.

[and non]. 13710, Jan 6 at 1421, AIR GOS in poor signal about Nepal, with CODAR QRM up to 13730, that having invaded the 22m SWBC band even further above 13.6 MHz (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Re: AIR DRM Tests today === Test 8 Jan 2013 (Today)
AIR Burmese 1745-1845 IST (1215-1315 UT) on 11710. : Alokesh Gupta

At 1247 rather two AM signals heard via CNR Beijing tx center #572 in Mandarin Chinese and underneath AIR in supposed to be Burmese (sweet) language program. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. All India Radio GOS, 7550, sent email confirmation in 3 days, specific as to date/time/frequency, for report sent to gosesdair (at) yahoo.co.in. Said they would also mail a QSL card (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3325, RRI Palangkaraya 1411-1445+ Jan 7 - Berita program from Jakarta in progress; into acara lokal at 1427, with man and woman chatting, occasional piano music; tuned out at 1445 as signal was weakening. Signal had been fair earlier, slightly above my local noise level (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 4749.95, RRI Makassar, 1430-1505+ Dec 30. Indo vocals hosted by M; singing ID at ToH, then more of the same. Fair signal, a bit above the band noise. Have not heard this for the past few days, although I've not checked daily.

4749.95, RRI Makassar, 1410-1510 Jan 7 - Noticed them missing once or twice earlier this week but here today with YL hosting program of lite vocal music and taking phone calls; this lasted until 1500, when there seemed to be a different program, with choral/vocal music, sans announcer, to 1510 tune-out. Good signal above the band noise, but gradually deteriorating to weak at 1500. Only a weak carrier noted today on 4750 (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD) But ``today`` was Jan 7, date of this posting (gh)

4749.96, RRI Makassar. Itís Tuesday (Jan 8), so I tuned in at 1247 and the Kang Guru Indonesia (KGI) program in English was already in progress; each week they sign on a little earlier than the week before; today ending at 1259; clearly heard Kevin and Ana; segment about food; played the KGI theme song ìFriendsî at 1258 during their closing announcement; three stations causing QRM (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4749.96, RRI Makassar, 1219-1228, Jan 10. Above average reception with almost no QRM (Bangladesh Betar very late fading in; not till after 1340); audio feed of the Jakarta news relay in Bahasa Indonesia (item about mayor of NYC Bloomberg); 1223 national song ìBagimu Negeriî (For You Our Country) followed by local ìR-R-I Makassarî ID; fair.

4869.93, RRI Wamena, Jan 10 (Thursday) from 1219 to 1245 covered by the massive pulsating signal from OTH radar.

After OTH radar ended at 1245 could hear Kevin and Ana with the Thursday Kang Guru Indonesia (KGI) program in English; 1254 Kevin with closing announcement; 1256 switched to Bahasa Indonesia; assume KGI program started at 1230. Last Thursday Wamena was off the air, even though they did broadcast on both Wed. & Fri. last week (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4869.92, RRI Wamena. Jan 2 was the best RRI station heard; 1213 Jakarta news relay in progress and ending with their national song ìBagimu Negeriî (For You Our Country); 1223 local ID. News relay and song // 4749.95, RRI Makassar and 3325 RRI Palangkaraya (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 9525, 01/Jan 1855-1910, Good signal [het, tone] of 1 kHz. I await the start of the broadcast in English of Voice of Indonesia. There is modulation underneath, but I do not identify. At 1901 the signal continues, precluding the listening on frequency. No signal of 1 kHz in my QTH (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, listening with remote radio in Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9525.896, Voice of Indonesia, Cimanggis site, in Japanese heard at 1220 UT on Jan 8. Weak signal though S=6, just above threshold, bad propagation or used the European beam of 320 degrees instead? Domestic 9680v kHz outlet was much stronger.

9680.051, RRI Jakarta Cimanggis, in Indonesian well heard on remote unit in Tokyo. Well ahead of TWN/CHN both Chinese. 1235 UT Jan 8 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Jan 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRAN. 17550, Jan 5 at 1401, Arabic with good signal, but somewhat distorted modulation, typical of IRIB, yes, 1030-1630, 500 kW, 259 degrees via Kamalabad. IRIB modulation doesn`t get as bad as Cairo`s (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN [non]. 11880, Jan 5 at 2142, I can still hear music under RHC Portuguese, no doubt NHK also Portuguese via GUIANA FRENCH, so it still hasn`t changed to 11960, as Ivo Ivanov says they are going to. Hurry up! Such a change should have been made immediately as soon as

RHC usurped the frequency, as you can`t negotiate with Arnie Coro, who never admits he`s made a mistake. 11960 remains unoccupied.

11880, Jan 7 at 2150, NHK just barely audible under RHC, also in Portuguese. Nothing on 11960 yet, which Ivo Ivanov says is supposed to replace it via GUIANA FRENCH, but without a date. He must have spotted this in HFCC which claims:
11960 2130 2200 14,15,16 GUF  250 185 0 151 1234567 281012 310313 D Por F NHK NHK 19202
but the start date is obviously false as we all know NHK has really been on 11880 from 28 Oct before RHC usurped it. This is from the 04 January HFCC edition, still the latest one posted as of 08 Jan! The same transmission still showed on 11880 in the previous HFCC we saved, dated 2712.

As an outlaw nation, Cuba refuses to participate in HFCC --- those who do are thus at risk, also for inadvertently choosing frequencies RHC is already on but never registered. Thus monitoring of true band occupancy is necessary, not just looking at incomplete listings.

11880, Jan 9 at 2129, NHK IS is JBA under very strong RHC, so R. Japan *still* hasn`t moved GUIANA FRENCH relay out from under the usurper, as allegedly planned for 11960. Jan 10 at 2132 I can`t hear anything under RHC, but 11960 isn`t on either, nor at 2158 recheck; see also CUBA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Frequency change of Radio Japan NHK World in Portuguese to SoAm: 2130-2200 NF 11960 GUF 250 kW / 185 deg, ex 11880 to avoid RHC in Portuguese (DX RE MIX NEWS #762 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon Jan. 7, 2013 via DXLD) but not yet as of Jan 10 (gh, DXLD)

FRENCH GUIANA: Radio Japan 11740, sent QSL card in 15 days for report sent to nhkworld (at) nhk.jp. Card was F/D but site was listed as "West Guiana". Happy New Year everyone! (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. 6170, Jan 4 at 1048, operatic quality baritone with song in English about My Fatherland, and good signal; O yeah, it`s a recent new frequency from V. of Korear, as 1050 into talk about relations between Korea and Japan.

RNZI better watch out, if they expect to go back to 6170 in the A-13 season, as VOK is likely to stay and of course is not registered in HFCC. For now, RNZI is on 9765 during this hour; see NEW ZEALAND. Aoki shows VOK usage of 6170 is 1000-2050 since November 22 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, re 6170, I assume North Korea will leave for 25 meterband

frequency usage instead, as done on all summer seasons before.
73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. Logged these broadcaster and spurious signals at Tokyo, Japan remote SDR unit around 0800-0830 UT Jan 6.

9650.009, Voice of Korea Kujang overmodulated signal in Japanese, S=9+35 dB powerhouse. Strongest accompanied by two spurious signals of S=9+5dB, with two peaks on 9592 and 9712 kHz, spur signal in wide ranges 9584-9598 and 9677-9717 kHz observed. 0815 UT Jan 6 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 06, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. KCBS on 11680 --- Having just relocated to Sarasota, FL for the winter, I can't yet be sure if this is an unusual opening to Asia or normal reception for Asia on the Gulf Coast of Florida. I have been listening since 2245 UT (it is now 2330) to KCBS, Korea (DPR), from Kanggye with its Central Broadcast for the national domestic audience. The program has been a wide variety of music from classical to martial music, to choral pieces and even Latin-sounding horn instrumentals. There were time pips on the hour with an anthem on either side and an ID by a female announcer in Korean. According to WRTH 2013, this is 50 kW. I'd rate the transmission SINPO-44333 and, though it has faded some since 2245, at 2335 it is still hanging in there. Reception is with an Eton E1 barefoot! That is, only off the whip. If this is normal reception in FL (as opposed to NY), sign me up for the duration! (John Figliozzi, Sarasota, FL, Eton E1-XM, Internal Whip, Jan 7, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Korea, 9335, YL listing full English schedule for the day after short music program, not audible at 1300, 1/9 (Mike Nikolich, N9OVQ, Lake Barrington, IL, NRD-515, Alpha-Delta Sloper and Isotron 60 Antennas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

They used to list only some of the English broadcasts at each announcement; oops, no time on this, probably a few minutes before 1300 (gh, DXLD)

D.P.R.K.: Three transmitters of Voice of Korea currently NOT on air:
0300-1300  7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
Ko/En/Ch/En/Ko/Ch/Ko/Ko/Ch/Ko
1300-2400 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
En/Fr/En/Fr/Ko/En/Sp/Fr/En/Sp/Ko

0300-0700 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs Ch/Fr/En/Ch
0700-1300  7580 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to JPN  Japanese
1300-2100  9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu Ko/Ru/Ru/Ge/Ru/Ge/Ge/Ko
2100-2400  7580 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to JPN  Japanese

0300-0700  9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs Ko/En/Ch/En
0700-1000 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu Ru/Ru/Ko
1000-1300  9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs Ko/Ch/Ko
1300-2100  6170 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu Ko/Ru/Ru/Ge/Ru/Ge/Ge/Ko
2100-2400  7235 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs Ch/Ch/Ko  (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Jan 8, Hard-Core-DX via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. Re: Glenn Hauser log December 27 - Shiokaze
Hi Glenn, Jan 4 (Friday) found Shiokaze still on 5985 and again not in English. They have really broken the pattern now (Ron Howard, California, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. KBSWR in Indonesian has been noted with SIO 222 level on recent checks since 12/31 w/IS prior to *2200 on 9805 (Joe Hanlon, NJ, Jan 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 7595, Jan 5 at 1350, fair signal with Korean talk, no jamming audible, despite being per Aoki:
7595 Radio Free Chosun 1200-1400 1234567 Korean 100 71 Dushanbe-Yangiyul TJK 06848E 3829N RFC b12 Dec. 3
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. NEW TRANSMITTER for KBS --- Thanks to Moses Vasanthan he posted via KBS World Radio English Service Facebook Page:

"Here's a look at our newest transmitter at our Gimje transmitter site. This is the transmitter we talked about on Worldwide Friendship recently. This is beaming the airwaves to North America. Hope you enjoy the picture!"
http://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=457641847622879&set=a.294276557292743.79270.170517169668683&type=1&theater

or
http://tinyurl.com/KBSnewTxr
showing new Riz Transmitter and a second photo:
http://tinyurl.com/KBSnewTxr2

Besides this, KBS World radio is returning the regular DX show every Sunday in its English service, and probably the program will be hosted by 4 people across the globe one in each week (Partha Sarathi Goswami, West Bengal, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In present tense, ``is beaming``, so already on the air? A new transmitter is of no use if it is still employed on a frequency that will not propagate, nor with proper antennas for the target. Schedule on website still shows to:

North America
Language Time (UTC)Frequencies (kHz)
Korean 2  1400 ~ 1500 15575
English 1 1200 ~ 1300 15575
Spanish  0200 ~ 0230 15575

KBS is not in HFCC A-12, but Aoki shows 250 kW, 81 degrees for all three. This goes nowhere near NAm, but right on Hawaii, Santiago and Buenos Aires! But primarily covers the sparsely-populated Pacific Ocean.

15575 is way above the normal MUF for a high-latitude, winter nighttime path to broadcast to NAm in our mornings. Propagation is much more favorable in the evenings, and we can sometimes hear the 0200 even here.

Furthermore, BBCWS in English is also on 15575 at 10-14, due east from Cyprus, more likely to be heard here over day path.

And did anyone in E Asia ever confirm whether the equally unlikely to be heard in target Spanish broadcast at 0600 on 6045, (ex-Sackville) is really on the air from Gimje, as claimed on their schedule, for Europe? Aoki does show it, but also at 81 degrees, aimed like 15575, nowhere near Europe.
http://world.kbs.co.kr/english/about/about_time.htm
(Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, ibid.)

I believe the hosts of Mail Bag show, who are responsible for  the KBS World English Facebook page, are not very technical (in no way I am disrespecting them), [that is why they said transmitter is beaming as we know only antenna could beam a signal to a particular direction]. As they informed in past, I believe they will also either set up or re-arrange their antenna for proper beaming to North America, which is yet not completed, as the other photos show the work is going on for setting up the transmitter, that says the transmitter is just newly arrived, they will go on test after proper setup. I hope KBS will surely inform us when the transmission goes on AIR to N. America after the antenna setup, as they always promised to keep us updated about the developments (Partha Sarathi Goswami, WB, ibid.)

** KURDISTAN. 4860.17, 0245-0310, CLANDESTINE, 29.12, Voice of Iranian Kurdistan, via Salah Al-Din, Iraq. Farsi talk, musical interlude, Persian song, ann, 0300 long Kurdish song, 0307 talk in Kurdish, jamming + CODAR QRM, 42433. Only jamming heard on // 3960.07 (Anker Petersen, Skovlunde, Denmark, on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** KUWAIT. 15515, R. Kuwait, Dec 31 0558-0607, 35433, Arabic, Arabic

music and talk, ID at 0600 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15540, 01/Jan 1713, No signal from R Kuwait in Urdu. On 13650 weak signal in Arabic. 15540, 01/Jan 1838, R Kuwait in English. OM talk. Very, very weak signal in my QTH and nor in Nederlands. 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, listening with remote radio in Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. KYRGYZ REP [tentatively] --- Trans World Radio New MW transmitter in Asia.

"As TWR tests the potential for digital ministry, it continues to break ground in the radio medium that the organisation was built upon. In May the unidentified Asian country that will be host to the PANI transmitter was granted a broadcast licence for the powerful AM project, which has the potential of reaching almost a quarter of a billion people in Pakistan, Afghanistan and north India. Donations to the major project have been exceedingly generous, but about 25% of the cost still has to be raised.

'The target to complete the construction is the end of the year [2012], but this is very much dependent on the weather conditions, on the suppliers and the subcontractors' said Werner Kroemer, TWR vice-president of global operations. 'Don't forget: We are installing the transmitting facilities in a part of the world where even simple things can turn out to be very difficult to do or to get'". (Listening World, TWR UK newsletter, Winter 2013 issue, via Dave Kenny-UK, January BDXC-UK "Communication" magazine via BC-DX Jan 5 via DXLD)

** LAOS. 6130, Lao National Radio, 1402, Jan 6. In English; reading in full the letter Laos delivered to the UN in Geneva defending itself regarding human rights and explaining about the disappearance of the Lao activist Sombath Somphone in response to questions raised by the UN; light QRM from Tibet (Xizang PBS) (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBYA. REACH OF RADIO SAWA EXPANDS IN LIBYA --- January 9, 2012
   Radio Sawa correspondent Lamia Rezgui Bourogaa in Libya [caption]
http://www.bbg.gov/press-release/reach-of-radio-sawa-expands-in-libya/

The Broadcasting Board of Governors has just launched a transmitter in Misrata, providing Radio Sawa's latest news and information to citizens in the northwestern Libyan city. The Misrata FM channel marks the third transmitter launched in Libya since the fall of former leader Moammar Gadhafi.

"Getting a clear signal into Libya is critical," said AndrÈ Mendes, the BBG's Chief Information Officer and Chief Technology Officer. "We're delighted that we've been able to complete the installation despite this period of uncertainty in Libya and now can reach a larger audience than ever before in this pivotal country."

"Radio Sawa is the most popular radio network in the region and we expect that success to continue as the network grows in Libya. Listeners tune into Radio Sawa to hear all sides to the most important news stories of the day," stated MBN President Brian Conniff. MBN manages and operates Radio Sawa.

The Radio Sawa network can now be heard in the three largest Libyan cities-99.1 FM in Misrata joins 106.6 FM in Tripoli and 88.1 FM in Benghazi.

Radio Sawa's coverage of the clashes in Libya won a Silver Radio Award in the 2012 New York Festivals Radio Program & Promotion AwardsÆ. The award-winning report covered the violence in Misrata during the fighting that led to the fall of Gadhafi, highlighting the courage and resilience of the city's inhabitants who continued their fight for democracy in the face of death and destruction.

Recent surveys by international research companies such as ACNielsen show that Radio Sawa has a weekly reach of more than 13 million adults across the Middle East and North Africa. Radio Sawa is operated by the non-profit corporation, the Middle East Broadcasting Networks, Inc. (MBN). MBN is financed by the U.S. government through a grant from the Broadcasting Board of Governors, an independent federal agency. The BBG provides oversight and serves as a firewall to protect the professional independence and integrity of the broadcasters. (BBG PR via Dr Hansoerg Biener, DXLD)

** LUXEMBOURG. RTL-Chronik Neuauflage. Aus dem Verlag "Anita Pospieschil":

Herzlichen Dank fuer Ihr Interesse an der RTL-Chronik. Beim Versand ins Ausland kommen 1,50 Euro Versandkostenanteil (von 3.00 Euro) dazu. Zum Ende dieses Monats erscheint die neue ueberarbeitete und ergaenzte Ausgabe (Januar 2013) der RTL-Chronik mit 52 Seiten, die dann 8.50 Euro kostet (inklusive Gratis-CD). Wenn Sie so lange warten wollen ... http://www.radio-journal.de/luxi/rtlradio-chronik/index.htm>
(via Herbert Meixner, Austria, A-DX Jan 3, via BC-DX Jan 5 via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. 6135.00, R Madagasikara, 0241, Jan 2, carrier appeared, slightly stronger than nearby R Santa Cruz 6134.81. Did not bother to pull out any audio, thanks to VOR Spanish for having left this

frequency (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Martien, Jan 2 from 1438 to 1459*, also on 6135.00 with EZL music and in French; poor with adjacent QRM (Ron Howarrd, California, ibid.)

5010, Radio Madagasikara at 0110 in French with a man and woman with talk then a man with long talk from 0114 to 0125 and the woman with talk with a mention of "Antananarivo" - Very Poor and noisy Jan 4 (Mark Coady, Ont., ODXA YOUR REPORTS EXPRESS, January 6th 2013 via DXLD) So now on the air all-night? (gh, DXLD) see also YEMEN

** MALI. 5995, Jan 8 at 0621, poor and undermodulated signal with some music, presumed ORTM, scheduled to sign-on at 0555. Tho I tune around just about every night at this hour, seldom enough signal to notice. Perhaps slightly enhanced by northern-latitude propagational attenuation (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 540, Jan 8 at 0641 UT, I have to wait almost a minute after tune-in until XETX, La Ranchera de PaquimÈ, Chihuahua, exclaims an ID; also CCI from another SS, but unseems from XEWA direxion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. XEG 1050, La Ranchera de Monterrey is audible quite clearly here in Crump, TN tonight. They are playing the standard Regional Mexican music they always play (Kevin Redding, Crump, TN, 0134 UT Jan 6, ABDX via DXLD)

They also still broadcast in AM stereo. I caught them up here in Ottawa once last fall, blowing CHUM and what was then ESPN 1050 off the dial (Justin Nielsen, neofoodog, ibid., WORLD OF RADIO 1651)

** MEXICO. 1090, XEMCA, la Grande de las Huastecas, P·nuco, Veracruz. 1201 December 31, 2012. Transmitter up with choral anthem followed by Veracruz State choral anthem from 1205, then canned ID, ìÖ XEMCAÖ 10 mil vatios de potencia Ö HuastecasÖ la Grande de las HuastecasÖ Grupo de RadioÖ telÈfonoÖî into live female with local events for the day. Very good at my post-local sunrise.

1170, MEXICO unidentified. 1230 December 31, 2012. Mexi-tune vocal very poor in the jumble. January 1, 2013: national anthem in progress 1201 tune-in, but again too weak for an ID. XERT and XEZS logged here previously. WDEK, Lexington, SC with Oldies the biggest co-channel.

1190, XECT, Contacto 11-90, Monterrey, Nuevo  LeÛn. 1220 December 31, 2012. Spanish love ballads, female canned ìContacto 11-90î at 1222. Excellent on post-local sunrise (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, Pile of junk used:  JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Hammarlund

HQ-180A; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phase; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. [Re 13-01, formerly:] UNIDENTIFIED. 2910, Jan 4 at 1053 UT, S9+12 open carrier ought to prove fruitful as the presumed third harmonic of 970 I have been hearing is about to sign on. Short version of Mexican NA plays at 1059, removing any doubt about the country, and explaining why they don`t play it again at 1200. But just not enough audio vs the noise level; seems this XE is undermodulating on its harmonic if not on its fundamental.

I listen for about 10 minutes, but can just barely tell a broadcaster is there with some talk and some music; also some additional noise sources cut on and off. For the first time I roll tape on this so I can go back to sleep and maybe pull some details out on playback. Don`t dare leave BFO on due to possible drift, but that means I can instead employ the FRG-7 noise limiter which helps very little. We have a new neighbor who has been refurbishing a vacant house, now with the power on, cable connected, and more RFI surely to follow.

I`ve been listening to the C-90 as I write this report, and it`s not a good morning for XEVT(?). Very slight improvement in S/N around 1200 but really not a single word copiable. Surges a bit more around 1215, maybe with approach of local sunrise? LSR is 1244 UT today in Villahermosa, Tabasco, exactly one hour earlier than Enid. Still in when the tape ends circa 1235. There has been absolutely nothing useful on it, so I can record over it another time.

Someone should be able to get a definite ID at the 1100 sign-on if not later, when they are much more concerned about telling us the time rather than the ID, altho there are plenty of other ways to find out the time. Still not hearing it around my 0600 UT chex, so probably signs off earlier, nor earlier in evenings when my local noise level is probably even higher (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2910, Jan 5 I wake up by 1213 UT, so remonitor this unID frequency during what has proven to be its peak signal time, which isn`t saying much, but today it`s better than yesterday, especially during occasional surges. But about the only details I can copy in the rapid Spanish discussion between M&W announcers are the timechex he frequently gives, starting with 6:13, and at 1224 UT, 6:24. Bits of music are sometimes audible as part of commercial or news produxion, never a full song. At 1225 mentions FÈisbuc. From 1227 added to the high local line noise level, some additional local noise bursts come and go. 1228 strongest yet with 6:28 time, phone number; 1233 fading down; 1242, fade up with YL`s monolog; lite SSB ACI; 1247 maybe

mentions XEVT in passing; 1249 fading.

Since I don`t expect it to come back, I hasten to fire up the computer and look for its webstream. I don`t like to resort to this, but instead make my IDs in real time on my own radio, but enough is enough. DXing does not mix with online here, as the computer and shack are in different rooms, yet not far enough apart to keep computer noise from disrupting DXing whenever it`s on.

Of course I already am fairly certain it is XEVT. Via the Tabasco page of http://www.mexicoradio.tv com under Villahermosa, I get an instant link to the XEVT stream, via http://www.xevt.com and there they are -- - the same voices, same format, I have been struggling to hear on 2910 (but apparently no mention of that frequency! Just 970 and // FM XHVT 104.1).

From easy listening now and info on the website, the program is `Buenos DÌas Telereportaje` at 6-7 am, and extends further until 10 am at least on Saturdays. Now I hear local announcements about street work, meetings, greetings, mentions of Tabasco; 1259 canned ID for ``las frecuencias de la VT, 970 y 104.1``, ``La VT, seÒal que une``; 1300 singing ad for a plomerÌa; 1302 re-opening another hour of Telereportaje; 1306 news headline mentions Ciudad Ju·rez, but no XEJ here! 1309 finally a tropical song is allowed to play.

They have a nice interactive website, and even video streaming, but before I even try it, that says ``server not found``.

Current day`s program schedule is here:
http://www.xevt.com/programacion.php
with linx to other days. Show sign-on at 5 am, off at 23:59, i.e. just before 0600 UT. The first hour after sign-on I heard is:
05:00-06:00 Amanecer de mi Tierra * Carlos A. Cabrales Aguilar

And the next hour I have been hearing is:
06:00-07:00 Buenos DÌas Telereportaje * Jes`s Sibilla Oropesa
* Humberto Hurtado Beltr·n
But those are both male names, so I think the YL co-host after 1300 must axually be funxioning an hour earlier:

07:00-10:00 Telereportaje * Jes`s Sibilla Oropesa
* Emmanuel Sibilla Oropesa

Except reading the pages about Telereportaje`s 30-year family history, Emmanuel is also a guy, so I still don`t know who the YL is. Hmmm, unless ``she`` is a varonkid whose voice hasn`t changed yet? There are also multiple pages and photos on the history of XEVT itself, since 1954.

So far I haven`t seen reports of anyone else DXing this, but if anyone does, I urge them NOT to try to QSL or even contact XEVT about their third harmonic on 2910, as that will only encourage them to get rid of it.

2910, Jan 7 at 0546 I`m looking for XEVT 970 x 3, Villahermosa, Tabasco, and there it is, somewhat better signal than I have been hearing in the mornings, S9+10 but better S/N ratio. Ads and songs; 0557 brief announcement I could not copy but must have been sign-off, followed 0558 by choral NA, multiverse past 0601 and off, to sign back on at 1100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOLDOVA. Radio Moldova International was on shortwave for a brief period of time. Somehow I managed to stay on their mailing list all these years. Mainly I have gotten numerous contest announcements but this one had a familiar theme of closing down the station; of course their use of the term "liquidated&qu ot; makes things sound real serious. 73, (Rich D`Angelo, PA, Jan 9, NASWA yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD) Viz.:

Dear friends, As we have already informed you in one of our programs from 2012, reforms are developing at present at the Public Broadcaster îTeleradio Moldovaî. On the eve of New Year we were informed that Radio Moldova International will be liquidated. The administration believes that the programs, we develop at present don t meet the requirements of the listeners. The leadership of the Company proposed that our programs should not be broadcast, but some of our stories will be translated into Russian and English on the web page of the Company.

We would kindly ask you to express your opinions on this issue. What do you think- does the foreign listener need such a RMI station and its programs? We would be grateful to you if you back us and send to us your opinions on the following emails:
presedinte @trm.md presedinteco @trm.md dorogan.sandu @ gmail.com moldovainternational @ gmail.com
(via RDA, NASWA yg jan 9, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

** MONGOLIA. LISTENING WITH REMOTE RADIO IN NEDERLANDS. 7260, 02/Jan 0121, Mongolian Radio 2 in Mongolian. No signal from VOR. OM talk, Christmas music. OM seems to tell a story. Many jingles. At 0157 song "BÈsame Mucho." At 0200 beep signal, anthem, ID. 24332 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOROCCO. 9579.139 After 5 months stay on odd 31 mb channel, still measured this footprint on this morning. R Medit #1 from Nador Morocco

site. In Maghreb Arabic short nx read at 0744-0746 UT, in a hasty manner. Read by female reader. S=9+20dB in Germany. GÈrard Xavier Marcel Depardieu met Putin at Sotchi Russia palace? (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 06, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See GABON

** MYANMAR. 7110, Thazin R. et. al. - Noted missing for several days now around the +/- 1400 time frame. Don't know if silent or just a different schedule (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, Jan 7, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

Hi John, Yes, from 0930 to 1500 Thazin Radio on 7110 is off the air since Dec 25. One of their transmitters is down. Dec 28 at about 1500 heard a strong open carrier that seemed to be them testing, as also heard by Victor Goonetilleke in Sri Lanka, but never any audio. They have not been heard through to today (Jan 7). Sent an email to Radio Thazin asking what the situation was and they responded:

"Yes, we have been transmitter problems. So we don't transmit radio programs. We are repairing. Thank you for listening" (Ron Howard, California, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I heard them today morning on 7110. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, India, 0340 UT Jan 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Jose, Did you hear Thazin Radio sometime between 0930 UT to 1500 UT? I know Victor has heard one of their transmitters with regular programs on 7110 kHz, but was 0045 UT to 0130+ UT. Thanks (Ron Howard, California, ibid.)

No Ron, It`s early morning our local time today 8 Jan 2012. I got up at 5.40 am today, i.e. 0010 UT and upon regular checks remember hearing 7110. I did not think that it was important catch until I read the DXLD later. I shall look  out for them again. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS via Ron, ibid.)

Thank you, Jose. The transmitter that broadcast from 0930 to 1500 UT on 7110 is still off the air. They use another tx for the time period you and Victor hear them. Every day I check from about 1330 to 1500 UT on 7110, but have not heard them, so they must still be repairing the transmitter. Thanks again for your quick response. Appreciate hearing from you (Ron Howard, ibid.)

Dear Ron, 7110 not heard yesterday, 8 Jan 13 at 0930-1500. Today 9 Jan 13, 7110 heard from tune in at 0010 to sign off at 0130. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, ibid.)

Thank you, Jose for checking. Hope that they will again return sometime for the 0930 to 1500 broadcast (Ron Howard, ibid.)

** MYANMAR [and non]. 5985.836, Myanmar Radio Rangoon footprint at 1325 UT, and at 1329:05 UT Yamata switched on test tone, into Shiokaze Japanese program at 1330:15 UT. Logged on northern Sweden and Finland remote receivers (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 8, DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. [Re 13-01:] 21600/15470/9835, The Mighty KBC (Wertachtal) *1500-1600* 23, 25, 26 Dec. Special broadcasts heard just fine here; best on 15470 Asia/OZ/NZ beam, 9835 always covered by Sarawak FM but audible underneath 'til 1535+ fade-out, 21600 JBA except on the 26th when quite good & 15470 was in the tank. Tnx to the folks at KBC for a set of quality transmissions (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL600 + 4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [and non]. RADIO NEDERLAND: TU MOMENTO HA LLEGADO
   Por RedacciÛn Internet (RNW)

2013 es para la nueva Radio Nederland el inicio de un aÒo lleno de cambios y grandes retos. Nuestra redacciÛn latinoamericana le explica las claves de lo que ya est· por venir.

øPor quÈ una nueva Radio Nederland?

La nueva Radio Nederland naciÛ el 30 de septiembre de 2010 cuando fue presentado un acuerdo de gobierno. En el acuerdo se podÌa leer: ìRadio Nederland centrar· sus tareas en la promociÛn de la libertad de expresiÛn, y ser· financiada por los presupuestos del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y el de CooperaciÛn al Desarrollo.î Fue el principio de una gran reorganizaciÛn dentro de la empresa, la cual nos conduce - despuÈs de varios meses de transiciÛn - al nacimiento de una organizaciÛn multimedia, focalizada en regiones y paÌses donde las libertades fundamentales se encuentran coartadas o diezmadas.

øQuÈ har· la nueva Radio Nederland?

Promover· la libertad de expresiÛn, o, en otras palabras, el derecho a la libertad de pensamiento, de conciencia y de culto, y el derecho a la libertad de expresarlos, tal como consta en la DeclaraciÛn Universal de Derechos Humanos.

La nueva RNW ha definido su rol de esta manera: ìLa promociÛn de la libertad de expresiÛn en paÌses donde se limita la libertad de pensamiento y de manifestaciÛn.î Este objetivo debe ser alcanzado a travÈs de ìla (co)producciÛn y distribuciÛn de informaciÛn independiente, confiable y contrastada.î

øPuedo todavÌa seguir escuchando Radio Nederland?

Nuestras producciones multimedia estar·n al alcance de todos. El programa El Toque puede ser escuchado a travÈs de nuestra p·gina web y de la onda corta. En las plataformas en lÌnea podr·n encontrar y acceder a espacios como Hablemos de Amor, nuestras redes sociales, artÌculos, entrevistas, una constelaciÛn de blogueros, videos y otras producciones. RNW se dirigir· a cuatro regiones donde los problemas con la libertad de expresiÛn son m·s agudos: ¡frica Subsahariana, Medio Oriente, ¡frica del Norte, China, y, en el caso de AmÈrica Latina, habr· un particular Ènfasis en Cuba, Venezuela, y MÈxico, sin excluir al resto. Adem·s, Radio Nederland se concentrar· en general a un nuevo p˙blico meta: las nuevas generaciones.

øPuedo seguir leyendo artÌculos de Radio Nederland?

Seguro. Los portales en espaÒol, inglÈs, chino, ·rabe y francÈs son clave dentro de la nueva estrategia de RNW. La interactividad ser· un elemento medular en nuestra filosofÌa editorial. En estos momentos se trabajo en nuevas versiones de las p·ginas web. La actual sufrir· cambios para adaptarse mejor al nuevo rol.

øPor quÈ se dirigir· Radio Nederland a ¡frica Subsahariana?

RNW ha elegido ocho paÌses de esa regiÛn donde el desarrollo de la democracia, los derechos humanos y los derechos sexuales es problem·tico: La Rep˙blica Democr·tica del Congo, Ruanda, Burundi, Uganda, Sud·n del Sur, Zimbabue, Nigeria y Costa de Marfil. A menudo se trata de administraciones fr·giles, violencia polÌtica, pobreza y corrupciÛn. Radio Nederland desarrollar· programas, formatos y producciones de internet para los jÛvenes de esos paÌses.

øEs necesaria tambiÈn la presencia de RNW en Medio Oriente y el Norte de ¡frica?

La situaciÛn allÌ despuÈs de la primavera ·rabe es muy diferente. En paÌses como Egipto, Marruecos, Libia y T˙nez se han producido cambios de gobierno y existe una voluntad por alcanzar m·s democracia. Temas como la libertad de internet y la posiciÛn de las mujeres y las minorÌas desempeÒan un importante papel. En Siria la situaciÛn es todavÌa muy caÛtica y violenta, pero tambiÈn allÌ Radio Nederland ve algunas posibilidades. Adem·s est·n los paÌses del Golfo, donde el nivel de vida es mayor pero las libertades democr·ticas brillan por su ausencia.

Pero, en China se bloquea el internet. øQuÈ sentido tiene intentarlo? En los ˙ltimos aÒos, Radio Nederland estuvo muy activa en China a travÈs de internet y de las redes sociales, y la nueva RNW continuar· con esa tarea. La emisora no ha sufrido bloqueos a gran escala, como ocurre con la BBC Internacional o la Voz de AmÈrica. Esto se debe a la

forma como se ha ofrecido la informaciÛn. Temas importantes son, por ejemplo, la influencia de la poblaciÛn en el Gobierno, la corrupciÛn y la libertad de internet.

Radio Nederland se dirigir· tambiÈn a varios paÌses de AmÈrica Latina. øPero no lo hacÌa ya antes?

Efectivamente, Radio Nederland tiene un gran nombre en LatinoamÈrica. Pero debido a los recortes, la nueva RNW concentrar· su atenciÛn en paÌses como Cuba, Venezuela y MÈxico. Esto no excluye que RNW llegue a abarcar tem·ticas continentales que afectan de forma directa a nuestras regiones y p˙blico meta. Es imposible entender la realidad de los paÌses antes mencionados sin profundizar en el contexto latinoamericano.

øY quÈ pasa con Corea del Norte, Myanmar, Ir·nÖ?

Esos son paÌses de dimensiones limitadas en lo que respecta al idioma. Debido a que Radio Nederland, a consecuencia de los recortes, se vio obligada a elegir, esos paÌses quedaron fuera. La nueva RNW sin duda continuar· activa en esos paÌses aunque a travÈs de proyectos.

øCu·ndo comienza en la pr·ctica la nueva Radio Nederland?

El 01 de enero de 2013 es la fecha esperada. A partir de este momento, Radio Nederland Internacional da comienzo a una nueva etapa en sus 65 anhos de historia. A˙n asÌ seguimos en un periodo de transito para poder acercarnos mejor al publico meta y cumplir los objetivos. El 2013 ser· un aÒo decisivo.

FUENTE:
http://www.rnw.nl/espanol/article/radio-nederland-tu-momento-ha-llegado
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia https://twitter.com/Nxdelaradio DXLD)

"A new Radio Netherlands Worldwide" --- RNW 1 January 2013
http://www.rnw.nl/english/article/a-new-radio-netherlands-worldwide

This coming year is an important one for RNW. A year in which, at the age of 65, we will be reinventing ourselves. Our new Editor-in-Chief William Valkenburg officially begins today; he looks to what lies ahead of us in 2013.

The era of short-wave radio is behind us; satellite and Internet are the communication channels of the future. The worldwide dissemination of information is no longer the exclusive domain of specialised broadcasters. Via internet, anyone anywhere can reach out to the world with a good story.

That doesnít mean journalists and broadcasters are redundant; quite the contrary in fact. Huge amounts of information are available more and more quickly and via all sorts of different channels. The need to filter, analyse and investigate all this information remains the same while the goalposts of journalism have moved completely.

Active link:
Our public is no longer a passive audience that very occasionally might write us a letter, but an active link in the process of newsgathering and distribution. Our public engages actively in discussion and has stories that are worth telling. They help us filter by letting us know what is or isnít relevant to them. And via social media, our public spreads our best stories further abroad.
RNW will have to forge a strong and unique identity if we are to win a place as a visible force in the new media landscape. Focus and specialisation are key. Free access to information, freedom of expression, good governance, and civil and sexual rights are the pillars of the new RNW: universal themes weíll be tackling with an individualistic Dutch approach. Weíll be focusing our work in areas where freedoms are limited and aiming to appeal to a younger generation that is increasingly tuned in to new media.

New stories:
2013 is Year Zero for the new-look RNW. A year in which weíll be looking more than ever to strengthen cooperation with our partners and audiences in China, Latin America, Africa and the Arab world. A year in which weíll be actively looking for new ways to find and tell the stories that are important to our audience, and in which our audiences will be encouraged to play an ever more active part. A year in which weíll be pushing ourselves to cement the ties with our audience and our themes. A year, in short, of dialogue and renewal (via Mike Terry, Jan 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

I find it amusing and ironic that they refer to this year as "Year Zero" as, quite coincidentally, zero is also the amount of listeners they will have compared to when they were on shortwave (Mark Coady, Ont., dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

Since I am "planted" in front of a computer all day at work, the LAST thing I want to do is touch a computer at home. When Radio Netherlands left shortwave, they lost me forever as a listener. Same goes for all the former HF broadcasters, which have "migrated" to the internet (David Sharp, NSW Australia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yep, I agree with you 100%, David. Call me a dinosaur, but I left them when they cut SW as well. I, too, have no interest in being stuck in front of a computer watching, or listening to a program. This is something I enjoy doing while I'm out and about, usually having

downloaded a mp3 file to listen to while driving or walking or working out. Personally, I'm not going to some now so-called radio station's website. 73 for 2013 (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Don't forget you`re not part of RNW's new target audience. So if they lost you as a listener it does not matter. Their focus has changed (Keith Perron, Taiwan, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Will Radio Netherlands survive for another five years?
Please vote in the poll here: http://www.pcjmedia.com/
(Mike Terry, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Results:
http://www.pcjmedia.com/component/poll/29-rnwsurvive
(via DXLD)

** NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR. 6160.9, CANADA, CKZN St. Johnís, 1142 female host interviewing a singer from Newfoundland, program IDed as ìWeekend A-Mî which a visit to the CBC website revealed is ìWeekend Arts Magazineî. Fair with het from Vancouver 6160, Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I keep seeing other logs of CKZN as if it were on 6160. This is NOT splitting hairs. It has been off-frequency for months, and makes a big het with CKZU or other 6160.0 stations. Besides clues such as programming timezone, and occasionally local Labrador announcements, it is a distinct way to separate the two stations. Even if you have a radio which tunes only in AM and in 5 kHz steps and there is not a het, you should still be able to tell it is off frequency as you will get more of it tuned to 6165 than 6155 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. NOVA ZEL¬NDIA, 9765, RNZI, Rangitaiki, *1551-1850*, 28/12, sinal de ID, m˙sica, info. meteorolÛgica, reportagem sobre a NigÈria,..., notÌcias das 1700, nova info. meteor., canÁıes das ilhas, notici·rio das 1800, notÌcias da NZ; 55544

17675 idem, *1058-1258*, di‡riamente, com excelentes sinais aqui nos antÌpodas da NZ (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9765, Jan 4 at 1015, ``live`` rock concert with VG signal, from what? An unfamiliar usually sound-asleep daypart for me, but quickly found in the BDXC-UK Broadcasts in English B-12 booklet as RNZI. See also KOREA NORTH (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9765, One of the joys of DXing is listening to the "international" service of Radio New Zealand. 0830 sounds like you are listening to a domestic service with a great DJ and pop music. Jan 5th (Ken Walters,

Palm Beach FL, Sangean ATS 909X, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER. NÕGER, 9705, A Voz do Sahel, Goudel, 1230-1253, 05/1, dialecto local, canÁıes africanas; 15421. Em algumas observaÁıes, n„o os captei ‡ noite, perÌodo em que o sinal È forte, embora algo flutuante. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. NIG…RIA, 1440, Adamawa BC, Yola, 1945-..., 05/1, dialecto local, canÁıes modernas africanas denotando influÍncia dos cantares tribais; 44433. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. VON 7255, sent Zuma Rock QSL card in 23 days, specific as to date and frequency. I've sent two postal/email English service reports and a couple of followups during the past couple of years, with no success. This time I sent a report in French for the French service (Voix de NigÈria) to voixdunigeria (at) yahoo.fr and received a prompt reply! Go figure (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, V. of Nigeria, Jan 01 0704-0714, 35433, French, ID at 0705, Talk (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, Voice of Nigeria (presumed); 1752-1759:42*, 1-Jan; Afro-music; M commentary 1754-57, sounded like English, but not sure. Off abruptly without ID. SIO=3+52 w/muted & scratchy audio. SSB no help. Might be slightly above 15120 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, 02/Jan 1547, Voice of Nigeria in English. YL with comments, then OM talk. Good signal in remote radio from Nederlands. Strong buzz in the modulation. At 1548 OM with ID and site. At 1549 YL back talk, but with a large distortion in the modulation. At 1550 American country music (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, V. of Nigeria, Jan 07, 0713-0721, 35433, French, Talk, ID at 0714 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. [Re 13-01:] XFM: 6970/AM$ with lots of ëspace musicí tunes & OM DJ announcing & giving IDs. They played M-83 Colours, Mobyís Extreme ways and Perpetual among others and gave time checks at

19 & 22 minutes past 7 UT and sent New Years greetings. At :30 signed off mentioning ìFrom the USA to the world, music to the power of xî & carrier off. Mentioned they were in stereo and pointed people with SDRs at software to be able to receive C-QUAM stereo, but even in mono the modulation was great. 4554+4+ mostly, but just starting to fade a bit at the BoH. 0714-0730 1/Jan (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA. 960, Jan 5 at 0600-0605 UT, NO Fox-hole, as local KGWA Enid continues to modulate, also the last few nites. I fear my fun is over, but not before I snagged CFAC, XEK, XEFAMA, KMA, probably KNEB, et al. during KGWA dead air.

960, Jan 10 at 0600-0605 UT, after about a week of failing to Fox-hole, KGWA Enid does it again: dead air for five minutes, but nothing significant heard under it this time (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. It`s strange KTOK 1000 OKC hasn`t tried for more than 5 kW; maybe too close to Chicago, but 50 kW WMVP is not a factor here with huge cardioid to the east. Axually, KTOK has a CP for 5.8 kW, big deal. With much more power, it could have filled the mid-America gap on 1000 among Chicago, Seattle and MÈxico DF (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1580, Jan 4 at 1531, KOKB Blackwell in open carrier/dead air, while sibling station 1020 KOKP Perry is nominal with sports talk. The network connexions among these and studio in Stillwater are incredibly unreliable.

1580, Jan 5 at 2155 UT, again today, KOKB Blackwell is in open carrier/dead air, while sibling station 1020 KOKP Perry is nominal. Evidently the 1580 relay is unattended (and unmonitored!), so once it craps out, it takes a lot of time for them to send someone out to fix it; who cares? Stupid sports talk, when managing to modulate (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. More about 1640 Enid, now known as KOAG:

``Hi Glenn, Your ag station network originates from KFLP 900 in Floydada TX; we used to carry a morning farm report from them in Roswell [KCKN 1020]. The all-day deal is new as they fed maybe a half hour a day for a 20 station network. Their little 250 watter really gets out. Take care, (Jerry Kiefer, TX, Jan 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)``

That certainly is a niche format. I`m sure farmers & ranchers would like maybe an hour a day of the latest ag news and market reports, as already provided on a number of rural stations, notably KFRM 550 which

has tremendous daytime coverage in KS & OK, but 24/7???? And how much original material can KFLP really produce, before repeating stuff? I won`t be listening enough to find out, but there must be a lot of duplication.

1640, KOAG Enid seems to have bumped the modulation up a bit, so even tho it`s mostly talk, still splatters, especially when on 10 kW day power with added direxional oomph toward COL.

I Googled for info on this, and while radio-locator had updated the calls, still linked to the old defunct KFXY website along with other Chisholm Trail stations. Little else to be found besides my own and another DX report of it.

Probably for the first time on internet: KOAG`s logo, or at least a visual from a display ad in the official show program for the KNID Agrifest, upcoming Jan 11-12, an annual business promotion event.
http://www.w4uvh.net/koag.jpg
KNID 107.1 is the base station of CTB, country music format; guess they thought it was a bit too early to declare KOAG the ``sponsor``. Maybe next year? If the format last that long (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. KOSU has a new segment, `This Week in Oklahoma Politics`, heard promoed on a Friday morning as airing Fridays at 4:44 pm during NPR ATC (2244 UT) --- this is the time when Frosty Troy of the Oklahoma Observer used to hold forth until abruptly canceled last June. His counterpoise was Republican Neva Hill, who was scheduled exactly 24 hours earlier, on Thursdays.

Now she is back but Frosty is not, on the new show, instead another non?-Republican, also audible online:
http://kosu.org/2013/01/this-week-in-oklahoma-politics-12/

``This Week in Oklahoma Politics --- Filed by Michael Cross in Feature, Local News, News, Politics. January 4, 2013

Click here to download audio

Back from the Christmas break, ACLU Oklahoma Executive Director Ryan Kiesel and Republican Political Consultant Neva Hill sit down with KOSU Capitol Bureau Chief Michael Cross to discuss the last minute deal in Congress to avoid going over the so-called fiscal cliff. The talk then turns to the upcoming legislative session and the extra money for Governor Fallin to appropriate in her executive budget.``

But don`t click on anything else on that page or it will interrupt the playback, a major drawback of flash. Another drawback is that you

can`t see how long it is going to be until it`s over: 9:00 minutes. Promo said something about parts 1 & 2, so presumably split into 2 x 4:30 minute pieces to fit into the ATC hole, the other one maybe on Thursdays? As a mere module, TWIOP does not appear on KOSU`s overall program schedule, and there may be another airing in the mornings. Nor do they explicitly say that it`s always Ryan & Neva now, but presumably.

91.7, KOSU, Fri Jan 4 at 2244 UT, checking for `This Week in Oklahoma Politix` cutaway from NPR ATC, as promoted earlier in the day --- not there, just kept going with NPR feed. Possibly I misunderstood day and/or time it was supposed to air, and the KOSU website`s incomplete schedule is no help; heard it already anyway on demand, so who cares about the broadcasts? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. OETA CHIEF: VOTE COULD THREATEN PBS NETWORK [sic]
By Robert Barron, Staff Writer, Enid News & Eagle January 7, 2013
http://enidnews.com/localnews/x2056577410/OETA-chief-Vote-could-threaten-PBS-network

ENID, Okla. ó Oklahoma Educational Television Authority may cease to exist in 2014 if a sunset bill passes the state Legislature this year and state funding is withdrawn. A sunset proposal in the Legislature threatens authorization for another year, and some legislators wonder whether funding the network is part of core state services.

Dan Schiedel, OETAís executive director, said the network reaches 99.5 percent of Oklahomans. The network ó a state agency  Schiedel called ìOklahomaís storytellerî ó has a number of functions, including emergency communication and Amber Alert systems. It is a combination of Public Broadcasting System [sic] and local content outlet.

ìWe preserve some of Oklahomaís stories in our archives, and weíre one of the best places for childrenís programs,î Schiedel told members of Enid Rotary Club on Monday.

The network, which has been in existence for 60 years, also offers special programming dedicated to adult literacy. ìWe have programs for schools and home-schoolers that meet state standards,î Schiedel said.

He said the network features Oklahoma news and business programs, OETA Movie Club, and the PBS program ìDownton Abbey,î which has become a phenomenon. OETAís annual budget is $10 million, which includes the OETA Foundation. The network annually receives corporate underwriting totaling about $200,000, and the state provides $3.8 million, about 36 percent of the networkís budget.

ìWe raise about $2.80 for every dollar we get from the state,î he

said.

OETA also receives funding from individual contributions and some federal grants. Viewer contributions amount to about $2.2 million annually, and the cost of programming is about $2.2 million, Schiedel said. He said OETA is one of the most efficient public television operations in the United States.

Schiedel said improving regional connectivity is among the networkís plans, and OETA does education outreach for Oklahoma Department of Education.

The network is authorized to have 71 jobs, but that number has dropped to 61, Schiedel said. OETA is a non-profit operation. If the network ceases operation, he said the state will have to sell all equipment and repay the federal government for equipment that has been purchased through matching grants. Schiedel said the network could not be purchased by a private entity, because of its non-profit designation.

Schiedel said if OETA ceases to exist, some of the most popular programs in the state no longer will be shown in Oklahoma. Among the most popular programs are ìLawrence Welk Showî and ìAntiques Roadshow.î

Schiedel said every state has a public broadcasting system, but Oklahoma no longer will have one in 2014 if the sunset legislation continues.

State Rep. Mike Jackson, R-Enid, said continuation of OETA probably would continue [sic], but there will be debate over funding. Jackson said there is a separation between funding and operation, and the sunset measure will go through the Administrative Rules Committee, chaired by Rep. Gus Blackwell of Guymon.

ìI think it will continue. We have to look at it every year, but I expect it to continue,î Jackson said. ìOETA not being on the air is not something I hear, but should the state be funding a television program, or should we look for outside sources to fund? I expect it will continue and be extended.î

Jackson said among the issues is whether OETA is a core service, and the House is split over that question. Some would argue providing the revenue in terms of getting out information would be a core service, but others believe some programs are politically motivated.

Jackson said a number of states have dropped state funding for public television, but the stations have continued by moving to more commercial operations. He said OETA could replace state funds if it

went to advertising (Enid Eagle Jan 8 via DXLD)

** PAKISTAN. 11570, 01/Jan 1700, R Pakistan in Urdu. Start of transmission and ID by YL, then presents newscast. At 1704 more ID by YL "Radio Pakistan". // 9560 with strong QRM. No signal on 11800. Fair signal on 11570 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, listening with remote radio in Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 11645, at 1400 UT totally distorted signal of Urdu service from RP Islamabad. S=9+20dB sidelobe on Germany remote receiver (Wolfgang B¸schel, Jan 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3385, NBC East New Britain. Random listening from 1129 to 1334*, Jan 2. Above average reception; usual format of DJ with dedications, pop songs and ads; 1202 news in English (// 3260, but NOT // 3315 or 3905). At 1331 a brief ìN-B-C East New Britainî ID, but no formal, full sign off announcement with NA. So their sign off format now varies from day to day, but the time is consistent at 1334!

https://www.box.com/s/isvm1h2edi7lpjtq4wwg
contains a decent recording of some advertisements (bakery, National Farmers Savings and Loan Society, Coca-Cola, etc.)

3905, NBC New Ireland. Jan 2 better than normal reception; 1119 long list of student names (ì201 .. name .. 202 .. name .. 203 .. name .. high school ..î) (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3385, Jan 4 at 1318 fairly good carrier, but can`t hear any modulation, none sent? Weaker ones on PNG channels: 3365, and 3325, the latter just as likely INDONESIA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PNG stations across 90 meters are also good this morning, with Lorengau, 3315, still quite audible a half-hour after my local SR, and Rabaul, 3385, still in 50 minutes after SR (Art Delibert, N. Bethesda, MD, Jan 6, JRC NRD 535, Pennant antennas with DX Engineering amp, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

3385, Radio East New Britain, Rabaul, in surprisingly early on 1/6, fair signal at 1015 with country music, fading in a bit better by 1030, a full two hours before local sunrise here. Monotonic announcer, either high-voiced OM or low-voiced YL, canít tell for sure with lengthy monologues. Muffled modulation (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100; Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum

Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands); 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3385, NBC East New Britain, 1303-1316 and 1334*, Jan 10. Bird call and into news in English; ìGood night Papua New Guinea. The news read by Öî; 1310-1315 series of ads and promos; pop song ìHotel Californiaî; heard with full ID and frequencies before sign off, along with National Anthem.

This station has dramatically increased the number of promotions and advertisements they carry! Most are in English, as opposed to most of their usual programming being in Tok Pisin, except of course some of their news programs being in English.

3905, NBC New Ireland. Jan 10 off the air; had been heard very regularly till today (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA [and non]. 7325, CHINA, CRI Dec 9, 1550. Standard CRI in English, good, but with unID co-channel that might have been R. Wantok Light [sic], PNG. Was fairly readable under CRI carrier, but when CRI went off at ToH, station dropped off into the static, barely audible. Sounded as if the RWL signal was riding in on CRI carrier, which was attenuating the static (Rick Barton, AZ, Jan 5, ABDX via DXLD)

** PARAGUAY. Directory of Radio Stations ñ
Datos utiles de emisoras del Paraguay
http://www.sicom.gov.py/index.php?
option=com_content&view=category&id=47%3Adirectorio-radios&Itemid=1
(via JosÈ A. Kucher, Argentina, Dec 31, condiglist yg via DXLD) No SW?

** PERU. 4775, R. Tarma, Tarma, 2358-0015, 03-04/1, castelhano, an˙ncios, infos. futebolÌsticas, programa "Caminos de Esperanza", ‡s 0003, sobre medicina natural ("curanderos", etc.); 35433. Sinal muito forte em 04/1, pelas 2250. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4774.91, R. Tarma, Tarma 1013-1030 Jan 8 Spanish; Local music & pops with M announcer between selections; jingle ID at BoH; fair (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Tarma, 4775, 1045, nice signal this morning with beautiful folkloric music, ID by OM at 1047, 1/9 (Mike Nikolich, N9OVQ, Lake Barrington, IL, NRD-515, Alpha-Delta Sloper and Isotron 60 Antennas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4826.5, Per˙, Radio Sicuani, Sicuani, Cusco 1000-1030 om with time check en espaÒol, Codar on top, slight drift by transmitter 4 Jan (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Icom 746Pro, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4984.14, Radio Voz Cristiana, Chilca, Huancayo, heard signing on several mornings this week, *1056 on 12/29, *1055 on 12/30, and already broadcasting by 1058 check on 1/3. Best on 12/30, when signal fair-good amidst noise, with shortwave channel joining programming already in progress at 1055 ñ caught the end of the daily program by their ìcrazed preacherî. At 1058, an a cappella hymn by an OM, then religious talks in Spanish, followed by eco adstring at 1103 for ìartÌculos pl·sticos . . . al edificio Comercial Espinosa, en la Calle Real . . .î  Clean ID for Radio Voz Cristiana and then into OA folklÛrico tunes at 1107. Held to 1115 fade-out (Ralph Perry, Wheaton, Illinois, Drake R8B; Japan Radio NRD-545; Eton E1; Hallicrafters SX100, Dentron Super Tuner + Ameco PLF-2 + Palomar P-408 +Quantum Phaser antenna unit (customized for tropical bands), 335-foot bidirectional BOG 150 deg/330 deg for LA/SE Asia, DXEngineering RPA-1 preamp, Phased Longwire + Small Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 6173.9, Per˙, Radio Tawantinsuyo, Cusco, 1030 to 1045; 1103 same OM announcer en espaÒol, narrow filter lsb, 4 January (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Icom 746Pro, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. Before VOR came on, was listening to 7290 waiting for Radio PMR but only heard a weak CNR1. Hope that PMR isn't gone too (Greg Putrich, Minneapolis, MN, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7290, 02/Jan 1835, No signal from R PMR in German via Moldova. Not here at my QTH and neither remote radio in the Netherlands (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nothing here again in my QTH in the UK either. Online stream seems to be on -
http://radiopmr.ix-host.ru:8000/radiopmr.m3u
but in Russian (I think) rather than French as scheduled for shortwave. I emailed them today asking about their shortwave broadcasts but have not had a reply yet (Stephen Cooper, ibid.)

I just found this note at the end of the Radio PMR news broadcast of 31 December at http://radiopmr.org/golos/9225/

"The editorial staff of the "Voice of Pridnestrovie" wishes you in the coming year health, happiness and prosperity! Once again, we'll meet

you on the air on January 8 at 23 pm EET. Good luck and once again, Happy New Year and Merry Christmas!"

... so maybe they're just off air for the Christmas period (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, ibid.)

That's good to hear. Christmas probably on the Eastern Orthodox date of the 7th January then (Stephen Cooper, ibid.)

Radio PMR from Grigoriopol is on in English as I checked immediately upon coming home from work at 2140 UT. Music until 2145 then news & analysis until sign off at 2200. Used to be French at this time and English at 2200 (Dave Hughes, KC MO, Jan 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO PMR REDUCED SCHEDULE --- Radio PMR have returned to shortwave after a Christmas (Eastern Orthodox dates) break. However they now have a reduced schedule with 1 hour a night instead of 3 hours. The frequency of 7290 is still the same. New schedule from
http://radiopmr.org/about/27/Cetka-veshhaniya
(times converted by myself to GMT):

7290 kHz - 2100ñ2200 - Monday-Friday - English/French/German
2100 - English
2115 - German
2130 - French
2145 - English
2113, 2118, 2143, 2158 - Music

No more Russian language on shortwave, slightly less time for the other languages and less music compared to before Jan 1st.

Here is a recording of the closedown from tonight as I tuned in to listen to the 2200 English broadcast from the old schedule -
https://soundcloud.com/stephen-cooper/09-jan-2013-2157-7-280mhz
[sic]
73s (Stephen Cooper, Southport UK, Jan 9, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7290, Jan 9 at 2201, no signal from Radio PMR which had announced it would resume today after OrthoXmas break; oh, oh, is it kaput? But then Stephen Cooper in UK quickly informed the DXLD yahoogroup that he had just heard 7290 closing English at 2157, and their website
http://radiopmr.org/about/27/Cetka-veshhaniya
when converted to UT shows it`s reduced to only one hour M-F at 2100-2200, in English/German/French/English again, with only a 2-minute music break between quarters, and no more Russian. So Radio PMR lives on, barely (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

Is 621 kHz really still in use between 0400 and 0900 UT as the schedule states? This transmitter has been reported as due for closure at yearend 2012.

Btw, there was some confusion about the livestream if I recall correct: It contains the FM (and, if on, 621 too) programming, not what goes out on shortwave (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Jan 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It is on now at 0719 UT, with Russian music (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), Jan 10, ibid.)

** QATAR [non]. AL JAZEERA AMERICA DETRACTORS SAY "CONGRESS MUST INJECT ITSELF INTO THE MATTER," etc. Posted: 08 Jan 2013
http://kimelli.nfshost.com/index.php?id=14064
(via DXLD) Roundup of many stories about this (GH)

** RUSSIA. 5940, Jan 8 at 0625, pop music, poor signal, but better than DGS/PMS 5935 WWCR which tonight is barely audible unlike other nights inbooming, as Tennessee has positioned itself in the skip zone from here, while further signals are making it. At first suspected Brazil, but then at 0626 announcement in Russian, so it`s R. Rossii, Magadan already from eastern Siberia at 150+East. Then there is a LAH (low audible heterodyne), which probably is from Brasil (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 6195, R. Rossii via Buryatskoe R., Dec 31 0814-0832, 35433, Russian, Talk, ID at 0823 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [and non]. [Continued from 13-01:] MAYBE ALREADY THE FIRST CLOSURE: ANALOGUE SHORTWAVE FROM BOLSHAKOVO

Was any other analogue shortwave besides German 0900-1000 on 9720 still left at Bolshakovo (no, Polish 1700-1800 on 7220 is Samara, using Bolshakovo for that would be a bad idea)? I don't think so, thus made a point of listening to the presumed swan song: A third second behind 630/1431, quite bad non-linear distortion, lots of whine and crackles, as if nobody bothered to maintain the equipment anymore. Programming wrapping up the hour with usual frequency announcement, advising that 558 kHz will be in use until Dec 31 only as if that would be the only cut. Fill music, audio off, carrier off immediately before 1000 and that was it then.

And after 1000 on 630, which happens to be the best signal now (693 is weaker, 1431 even weaker and 1323 almost inaudible -- don't tell me that the Wilsdruff and Wachenbrunn transmitters are still run at anything close to 250 or 1000 kW, respectively, else I will tell you that something must be seriously wrong with your antennas), I heard the mailbag programme, opening with a quotation from a listener who looks forward to more interesting programming "on mediumwave and shortwave" in the new year. Hark, hark, the cry comes on apace!!

Seriously, it very much looks as if editorial staff at Voice of Russia is still widely unaware of the imminent cuts to their AM program distribution, of the imminent loss of those elder listeners who have not the gear to listen online (Kai Ludwig, Germany, 1119 UT Dec 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Check VOR, last day 2012. 17-18 UT. All heard here in Europe - see below, except sidelobe French 11985 from Armenia towards all Africa, which was only checked and proofed as positive on air, heard in downunder Australia!

Also 558 in Switzerland carries still Italian service, just comment feature about delicious Kˆnigsberger Beer (Kaliningrad) and brewery and cuisine, marmelada, ensaladas, etc. etc. vy73 wb

1700-1800
Arabian
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS
5920 Armavir Tbilisskaya 100 AF, NE/ME
6015 St. Petersburg 400 NE/ME
9340 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AF, NE/ME, CIS-CeAS
9825 St. Petersburg 200 NoWeAF

English
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS/NE/ME/CIS
4950 Dushanbe-TJK 100 CeAS, NE/ME
7240 Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky 250 CeAS/AS
7330 Moscow 250 EUR
9735 Moscow 500 EUR
9735 Moscow 250 AF, NE/ME
9880 Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky 250 CeAS/AS

French
6130 Moscow 200 EUR
7295 Chita 500 AF
7330 Moscow 250 EUR
9400 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 AF
11655 Moscow 250 EUR, AF

11985 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 AF
12060 Moscow 250 EUR, AF

German
630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR
1323 Wachenbrunn Germany 500 EUR
1431 Dresden Germany 125 EUR
7310 Samara 250 EUR

Italian
558 Mt.Ceneri Cima di Dentro SUI 200 EUR
6145 DRM ch#1 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR
9480 Moscow 250 EUR
9715 Armavir Tbilisskaya 100 EUR

Polish
693 Oranienburg Germany 250 EUR
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 EUR
7220 Samara 250 EUR

VoR - Spanish to Europe cancelled? No signal on 5940, 6090 and 6120 at 2000. Regards (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, 2006 UT Dec 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes Jean-Michel. Nothing English and Portuguese, but Italian 1548 Grigoriopol-MDA is on air around 2140-2150 well heard, comment about Duma parliament.vy73 wb

[apparently citing previous schedule:]

2100-2200
English
5940 Samara 250 EUR, AF

Portuguese
6090 Armavir Tbilisskaya 200 EUR
6120 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 120 EUR

2100-2230
Turkish
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus

2130-2230
Italian
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Dec 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On air after 2200 UT

2130-2230 Italian 1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR

2200-2300 Portuguese 9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM

but nothing heard of:
English 7250 Armavir Tbilisskaya 500 NoAM, CeAM, EUR

V of Russia ID in Russian, at 2233 UT Dec 31
630 Braunschweig S=9+30
693 Oranienburg S=9+50
1323 NIL
1431 Dresden S=9+40

vy73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Just reviewed the tape I had running: Of course 1431 promptly went off with the last time pip for 2300, uncovering some Dudelfunk that did not say a word at the top of the hour, presumably the low powered golden stuff in the UK. Still it would not hurt to check back 630, 1323, 1431 after 6 AM, just in case.

And let's check back at the shortwave side live at 2334: Tuned into 9750 in the right moment to hear it introducing itself as Voice of Russia for Brazil and Portugal. Not only muffled-sounding, also with the hard gating from the old USSR days that otherwise, if I do not overlook something, only the Karaturuk (Kazakhstan) site still retained to the bitter end. 9395 off now, perhaps the relay of English was just a mistake.

Bad but not unexpected news from Pridnestrovye: 7260 and 7290 have not come up tonight, as 7240 at Tbilisskaya has neither. Europe is definitely the wrong place to check the transpacific transmission from Kamchatka, but it's easy to guess the situation there I think.

Oh, and by the way: Happy New Year! (Kai Ludwig, 2350 UT Dec 31, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also PRIDNESTROVYE! Xmas break

Not hearing anything on 7260 at a 0100 check on Jan 1. Was still there yesterday. Have the Russian service cuts gone into effect?

VOR English still on 7290 at 0100, but not hearing them on alternate 7250. Weak Asian language heard instead on 7250. More cuts? (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The 7290 frequency had a good signal during several checks between 01 and 03 here in Houston Jan 1, so apparently still usable for North America. Looks like 7250 English and 7260 Russian for VOR during NA evenings are gone (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, 0454 UT Jan 1, ibid.)

New English schedule up on their website :
http://english.ruvr.ru/engradio/
No more english to Europe except DRM & only 9395 from 2200 to 2400 UT and 7290 from 0000 to 0400 UT for Latin America (Peter W Hansen, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Darn, and nothing at all from the Russian far east to WCNA, either. Indeed very bad news! (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Re: [dxld] Radio Mayak abandons MW/LW, Voice of Russia cuts

On January 1st 2013 at 0800 UT I can still hear the two Radio Mayak stations on 198 kHz (Avsyunino and Ol'gino). It looks like they haven't closed down the LW network yet (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tatarstan, Rossii, Pridnestrovye --- Radio Tatarstan heard this morning at 0610 s/on 9410, and at 0840 on 11610 (site?)

Radio Rossii booming on 9840 at 0440 until 0600++, Jan 1

Radio Pridnestrovye, Dec 31, 7290 at 2133 in french with spurs from CRI on 7285. Best wishes (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

English was on 9395 already last night. That's Gavar [ARMENIA], and it carried Russian before.

7290 was already not on last night between 2300 and 2400. "Latin America" is a changed definition of target area, wasn't this frequency specified as serving North America before? [I think not --- gh]. I don't think that changes to the antenna set-up at Grigoriopol/Maiac have been made, so this is rather a "we don't transmit to North America on shortwave anymore" attitude as well known from other broadcasting organizations.

Concerning: "Still it would not hurt to check back 630, 1323, 1431 after 6 AM, just in case..."

And it happened indeed: They forgot to kill the 630 transmitter, so it came back on, still with the same satellite feed as 693 of course. 1323 and 1431 are indeed dead, however.

So Wachenbrunn can be deleted from the list of active transmitter sites, also when taking aside the circumstance that the Kvadrat antenna technically counted as a separate site since it has been cut from the old 882 site, demolished in last year.

It appears that Voice of Russia could now lose the paid religion they broadcast in the German service during the last two decades, helping them to survive through the Yeltsin era. Lutherische Stunde already asks for reports about the remaining coverage with the remaining single transmitter and declared January as a month of testing.
(Kai Ludwig, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also still on: Radio Mayak 810 kHz Yekaterinburg, fair signal here in Romania on Jan 1st 2013 at 1300 UT. Using a Sony ICF-2010 and a Tecsun AN200 loop antenna to null out Radio Makedonija Skopje on the same frequency (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), ibid.)

``Also still on: Radio Mayak 810 kHz Yekaterinburg``
Volgograd (Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine, ibid.)

Thanks Alexandr, you're right, I meant 810 kHz Volgograd. I was looking at the wrong entry on mwlist.org. ñ (Tudor, ibid.)

Hi Aleksandr, I made a bandscan in Moscow rx unit at 1245-1330 UT Jan 1, Speciality is NDB flight service CW signals inside MW Band, like in Ukraine too. Daytime snap:

153 stew few signals, - ROU ?
171 RUS S=9+30
177 D  S=9+15dB
198 RUS local S=9+60dB powerhouse
225 POL S=9+20dB
252 RUS S=9+25
261 RUS  \\ 252, but here much stronger instead S=9+50dB
270 CZE ? poor S=6-7
279 BLR S=9+10dB reduced power?, undermodulated.

531 \\ 549, spurious outlet ? S=9+10dB
549 RUS local, S=9+50dB powerhouse
565 NDB S=9+50dB
567 RUS S=9+20dB
612 RUS local, S=9+60dB powerhouse
659 NDB S=9+25dB
700 NDB S=9+30dB
738 RUS, local, S=9+65 !! powerhouse
765 UKR ? S=9+20dB
810 VOA En S=9+55dB very strong
828 RUS St.P. ? flute mx, S=9+20dB
846 RUS pop mx, S=9+45dB
873 RUS local, S=9+60 powerful
918 RUS S=9+20dB

936 threshold fluttery network ?
945 RUS, S=9+10dB
949 NDB, S=9+20dB
999 RUS, S=9+25dB
1020 NDB
1025 RUS, weak
1035 EST  Russ, S=9+40dB
1053 RUS, S=9+15dB
1080 RUS, weak ? Teos ? - puzzle
1134 RUS R Rossii ID at 13 UT nx, \\ 1143
1143 RUS R Rossii, S=9+25dB
1170 VoA PHL ! already listenable before 13 UT.
1152 ROU football, S=9+20dB
1179 ROU football, S=9+20dB
1188 Balcan mx, HNG S=9+10dB
1251 HNG S=9+10dB
1296 AFG Kabul, S=9+5dB
1314 ARM Gavar S=9+10dB
1332 IRN ? Dari / Farsi ? S=9+10dB
1359 UKR ? Dokuchaievsk ? S=9+10dB
1395 ARM Gavar in Russ S=9+10dB
1404 ROU, Hungarian music, S=9+25dB
1440 IRN, stronger than St.P, S=9+20dB
1449 pop mx weak, Monchegorsk ? S=9+10dB
1458 ROU S=9+15dB
1494 Moldova S=9+15, + UNID odd 1493v
1512 IRN S=9+10dB
1521 CHN Urumqi, CRI Ru S=9+15dB
1530 ROU Constanta ID at 1330 UT  S=9+25dB
1575 UAE Farsi program, more westerly mx type, so though no IRN jammer
1593 ROU weak.

and a single Pirate on exact 1681.5 kHz, S=9+20dB, but from AZE, Caucasus, Balkan area? 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Moskau --- In Moskau hoert man ganz bequem LW DLR 177 kHz um 1100 UT (B¸schel? DXLD)

VoR - Italian only in DRM mode on SW
http://italian.ruvr.ru/2011/01/20/40500609.html
From Jan 1
1700 UT : 6145 (DRM) 1548
2130 UT : 1548

0800 UT : 1512 (exc. Monday)
1200 UT : 1512 (exc. Monday)

VoR - Arabic

http://arabic.ruvr.ru/arb_schedule/

Only 3 SW frequencies (5940; 5975 and 9825) and 1 (1314) MW frequency are indicated.

VoR - Farsi, Vietnamese, Japanese
http://persian.ruvr.ru/2012_10_18/91620925/
6235 1500-1700 UT

http://vietnamese.ruvr.ru/vnm_schedule/
shows only one frequency : 7260

http://japanese.ruvr.ru/jap_schedule/
Only 1 SW frequency from  Jan 1: 5980 and 1 MW frequency: 720 from 21:00 to 23:00 local time

As usual, the French page is outdated and still shows A12 frequencies.

VoR - Turkish non longer on SW
http://turkish.ruvr.ru/tur_schedule/
From Jan 1, only on MW 1170, 1314, 1350
(Jean-Michel Aubier, France, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good signal from Voice of Russia English at 1600-1700 on 5885 kHz. It`s beamed to Asia but surprisingly strong here at the moment. 73s (Dave Kenny, Jan 1, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

Voice of Russia in German

First of all: Happy New Year to all of you! Although announced to be closed by the end of 2012 from this location, the Voice of Russia's German language programme ("Stimme Russlands") can still be heard via the MW 630 kHz (Kˆnigslutter, Germany, 52N17, 10E44) outlet. Today both German language transmission blocks (0900-1200 and 1500-1900 UT) have been resp. on the air in parallel with 693 kHz (serving mainly the Berlin capital area and planned to stay as the only MW frequency for "Stimme Russlands"). The other VOR MW frequencies from German soil (1323 and 1431 kHz) seem to be silent as well as 558 kHz located in Switzerland (Harry Niebuhr, Klein Hehlen, Bonifatiusstrasse 5, 29223 Celle, Germany, Tel: +49 5141 53848, Fax: +49 5141 9939483, Mobil: +49 162 7168189, 2013-01-01 1534 UT Jan 1, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

02/Jan 0205-0215 No signal from VOR in: 7225, 12070, 6135, 9475, 15630 also nothing at 0237 on: 17690, 17665. Thank you 73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very few outlets from Russia during our UT nighttime on shortwave left. So Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, Chita and Krasnodar Armavir sites

have left shortwave for good.

RUSSIA [ARMENIA/GERMANY/MOLDOVA/TAJIKISTAN]

Winter B-12 schedule of Voice of Russia Moscow.
Foreign languages Service schedule B-12, B-Version as of Jan 1, 2013

UTC
language
kHz TX location kW target area remarks

0000-0100

English
7290 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 NoAM CeAM

Spanish
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM
9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM

0100-0200

English
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
927 Dushanbe-TJK 300 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
7290 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 NoAM CeAM

Spanish
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM
9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM

0200-0300

English
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
927 Dushanbe-TJK 300 CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
972 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
1377 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
7290 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 NoAM CeAM

Spanish
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM
9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM

0300-0400

English

648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
927 Dushanbe-TJK  300 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
972 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS/CIS-CeAS/NE/ME
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
1377 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
7290 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 NoAM CeAM

Spanish
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM
9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM

0400-0500

English
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus

Spanish
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM
9765 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM
(Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

ARMENIA/RUSSIA, 9395, Spanish service of Voice of Russia from Gavar Armenia site, noted again with very "unclean" satellite feed audio, 'scratchy noise' programm over and over, or is the final stage tube at the transmimtter wrong? That audio noise scratches observed on many days in past weeks. Noted at 0435 UT Jan 2. S=9+30dB in Germany sidelobe towards Latin America.

9765,  \\ Spanish service of Voice of Russia from Gavar Armenia site. Much better audio, but southerly bearing, only S=9+5dB in Germany.

9840, Radio Rossii powerful Russian service via Taldom-Moscow towards Russian nationals in Central and Western Europe, observed on powerful level of S=9+45dB at 0450 UT Jan 2.

11895, UNIDentified tx site. Tatarstan Wave from Kazan still on service via shortwave domestically - probably from Moscow back to Central Russia -. Weak signal at 0410-0500 UT, left the air exact 0500:05 UT. [See also TATARSTAN [non]]

At 0500-0600 V of Russia Russian service is WRONGLY on air via German sites Braunschweig and Oranienburg relays, which should start later at 0600 UT:

0500-0600
Russian (GR)
630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR still on air, should stop on Jan 1st also

693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR, UKR/MDA
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 Caucasus
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 1000 UKR/MDA
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR
(Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

11635 DRM: From 0600 UT V of Russia's English service in digital mode via Taldom site, powerful S=9+30dB propagation into central Germany, but S=8-9 signal in Italy, Austria and northern Germany on sidelobe.

Far East and Pacific service to AUS/NZL/SoEaAS in English noted 21800 via Irkutsk, was stronger in Australia at start 0600-0615 UT range S=9+10dB, \\ 21820 kHz, only S=7-8 from Novosibirsk tx site. Interview of some young lady music performer, and 'disbursement' from the music industry (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, ibid.)

RUSSIA/TAJIKISTAN 0700-0800 English

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|---|---|
| 11635 DRM ch#1 Moscow 40 EUR | S=9+25dB in Germany |
| 12015 Irkutsk 250 AS/SoEaAS | S=9 in Germany |
| | S=9 in Moscow |
| | S=5 in Tokyo |
| | S=4 in Australia |
| 15745 Dushanbe 500 AS - not on service today | |
| 21800 Irkutsk 250 AS/AUS/NZL/PAC | S=5 in Germany |
| | S=3 in Moscow |
| | S=6 in Tokyo |
| | S=9+10dB in Australia |
| 21820 Novosibirsk 250 AS/AUS/NZL/PAC | S=5 in Germany |
| | S=7 in Moscow |
| | S=7 in Australia |
| 21840 Novosibirsk 250 AS/SoEaAS | S=5 in Germany |
| | S=9+10 in Moscow |
| | S=5 in Australia |

0700-0900 Russian (GR)
630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR still on air
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR

12075, Radio Rossii in Russian scheduled at 0725-1200 UT via RC#3 Taldom Moscow site. S=9+15dB direct at Moscow, but S=9+40dB in Germany, 0815 and 0915 UT Jan 2. Russian songs on amore ... ljubow ... ljubliiej ti moi. Radio play like childrens hour, on malinka, clutch - key ... from 0830-0900 UT.

11610, 3rd programm of the day from Tatarstan Wave Kazan (Radio Rossii) carrier already on air at 0748 UT, started punctual at 0810 UT

Jan 2, S=9+30dB in Germany, speech to the crowd at 0820 UT.

TX from Moscow! site was on air very early around 0748 UT, S=9+45dB powerful in Moscow, so I guess is a local tx site (Taldom?) which took over service from Samara tx site now?

0800-0900 English

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11635 DRM ch#1 Moscow 40 EUR          S=9+25dB in Germany
12015 Irkutsk 250 AS/SoEaAS           S=9+10 in Germany, multi path
                                      S=9 in Moscow
                                      S=6 in Tokyo
15745 Dushanbe 500 AS - not on service today
21800 Irkutsk 250 AS/AUS/NZL/PAC      S=9+10 in Germany
                                      OTHR QRM 21799-21820
                                      S=3 in Moscow
                                      S=nil in Tokyo
21820 Novosibirsk 250 AS/AUS/NZL/PAC  S=9+10 in Germany
                                      OTHR QRM 21799-21820
                                      S=7 in Moscow
                                      S=nil in Tokyo
21840 Novosibirsk 250 AS/SoEaAS       S=9+20 in Germany
                                      S=9+10 in Moscow
                                      S=nil in Tokyo
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Italian

1512 Ondamedia Broadcast relay in Emilia Romagna Orientale (only Tue to Sun), via 500watt San Pietro in Casale, Italy

Now Kurdish service on local FM only.
ex Kurdish 15760 Dushanbe 500 AS at 07-08 UT.

0900-1000

German

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630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR - still on air
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR
9625 DRM ch#1 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR  S=9+30dB in Germany
11635 DRM ch#1 Moscow 40 EUR, Baltics        S=9+25dB in Germany
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English

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648 Ussuriisk 500 AS/FE
9625 DRM ch#2 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR  S=9+30dB in Germany
15745 Dushanbe 500 AS  - not on service today
21800 Irkutsk 250 AS/AUS/NZL/PAC             S=6-7    in Germany
21820 Novosibirsk 250 AS/AUS/NZL/PAC         S=9+10dB in Germany
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(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/GERMANY/TAJIKISTAN 1000-1100 UT

Chinese

648 Ussuriisk 500 AS/FE
5900 Vladivostok 100 AS/FE S=9+20dB in Australia
S=9+15dB in Japan
7305 Irkutsk 250 AS/FE S=9+20dB in Australia
co-ch QRM by CNR1 domestic Shijiazhuang #723 stn.
S=9+25dB in Japan
<http://chinese.ruvr.ru/2010/04/03/5967939.html>

English
7260 Vladivostok 500 CeAS/SoAS S=9+25dB in Australia
S=9+25dB in Japan
9625 DRM ch#2 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR S=9+25dB in Germany
15745 Dushanbe 500 AS - not on service today

German
630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR - still on air S=9+30dB
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR S=9+30dB
9625 DRM ch#1 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR S=9+25dB in Germany
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

At 1008 UTC the VoR DRM broadcast on 9625 kHz has two audio streams. The German language stream sounds satisfactory at 12.7 kbps. The English stream sounds rather bad at only 8.3 kbps. It's not entirely unlistenable, but not pleasant either.

The SNR is around 17-22 dB here in Northern Romania (using a Newstar DR111 receiver with a 5m indoor wire as an antenna). (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RUSSIA/GERMANY 1100-1200 UT
Chinese
648 Ussuriisk 500 AS/FE
5900 Vladivostok 100 AS/FE S=9+15dB in Australia
S=9+25dB in Japan
7305 Irkutsk 250 AS/FE S=9+20dB in Australia
co-ch QRM by CNR1 domestic Shijiazhuang #723 stn.
S=9+15dB in Japan
<http://chinese.ruvr.ru/2010/04/03/5967939.html>

English
7260 Vladivostok 500 CeAS/SoAS S=9+25dB in Australia
S=9+15dB in Japan
co-ch QRM CRI Japanese covered in Japan
9560 Novosibirsk 250 AS/SoEaAS S=9+15dB in Japan
S=9+20dB in Australia
9625 DRM ch#2 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR S=9+40dB in Germany
11640 DRM ch#1 Irkutsk 15 AS
- totally covered by CRI Xian Mandarin 500kW powerhouse,

and RTI Kouhu Taiwan in Chinese.

German
630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR - still on air S=9+35dB
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR S=9+30dB
9625 DRM ch#1 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR S=9+40dB in Germany
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

and German relay 630 kHz Braunschweig Koenigslutter switched OFF for
good approx. 1230 UT.

RUSSIA/GERMANY/TAJIKISTAN 1200-1300 UT
Chinese
648 Ussuriisk 500 AS/FE
801 Chita 600 AS/FE
1080 Irkutsk 500 AS/FE ? til 1230 UT only ?
5900 Vladivostok 100 AS/FE S=9+5dB in Australia
to 1230 UT only ? S=9+25dB in Japan
7305 Irkutsk 250 AS/FE S=9+20dB in Australia
co-ch QRM by CNR1 domestic Shijiazhuang #723 stn.
S=9+15dB in Japan
<http://chinese.ruvr.ru/2010/04/03/5967939.html>

Dari/Pashto
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
4960 Dushanbe-TJK 100 NE/ME/CIS footprint 1211 UT 4960.091 kHz.
<dari.ruvr.ru/afg_schedule/>

English
972 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
5885 Dushanbe-TJK 100 AS S=9+20dB in Moscow
S=9+15dB in Australia
9560 Novosibirsk 250 AS/SoEaAS S=9+15dB in Japan
S=9+15dB in Australia
S=8-9 in Moscow
S=7 in Netherlands + Germany
9625 DRM ch#2 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR S=9+40dB in Germany
12075 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS - not on service today

Italian
1512 Ondamedia Broadcast relay in Emilia Romagna Orientale
(only Tue to Sun), San Pietro in Casale, Italy

Japanese
720 Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk 1000 AS/FE S=9+25dB in Tokyo
5980 Irkutsk 250 AS/FE S=9+10dB in Moscow
distorted feeder line, choppy audio staccato

S=9+20dB in Australia
S=9+10dB in Tokyo
<http://japanese.ruvr.ru/jap_schedule/>

Mongolian - probably - 1230-1300 UT only ?
1080 Irkutsk 500 AS
5900 Vladivostok 100 AS/FE S=9+10dB in Moscow
S=9+10dB in Australia
S=9+10dB in Tokyo
<http://mongolian.ruvr.ru/mong_schedule/>

Russian (GR)
630 Braunschweig Germany 50 EUR - is dead for good at 1230 UT check
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR S=9+20dB in Germany
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
9625 DRM ch#? Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR S=9+25dB in Germany
12055 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC S=9+20dB in Germany
S=9+15dB in Australia
Vietnamese
7260 Vladivostok 500 AS/SoEaAS terrible mixture S=9+20dB Australia
co-ch QRM CRI Japanese covered in Japan, equal level in Australia
from 1300 UT S=9+10dB in Tokyo
<http://vietnamese.ruvr.ru/vnm_schedule/>

7310 Radio Rossii in Russian scheduled at 1225-1500 UT via RC#3 Taldom Moscow site. S=9+20dB in Netherlands, S=9+35dB direct at Moscow, but S=9+25dB in Germany, 1230 UT Jan 2. Russian songs, artistas. (wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

V of Russia new 60 mb frequency 4960 in Pashtu/Dari 1300-1400, into VOR EE ex 4975, 4780. fair to good (Victor Goonetilleke, Sri Lanka, Jan 2, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [non]. 4960.08, VOR via Dushanbe-TJK, 1414-1430, Jan 2. In English with YL (American) telling of her impressions of Russia; BoH ìNews in briefî; poor; // 7260 VOR via Vladivostok (fair). Thanks to Jim Young and Wolfy for their information on this one! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RUSSIA/GERMANY/TAJIKISTAN 1300-1400 UT
Chinese
648 Ussuriisk 500 AS/FE
7305 Irkutsk 250 AS/FE S=9+20dB in Japan
co-ch QRM by CNR1 domestic Shijiazhuang #723 stn.
<http://chinese.ruvr.ru/2010/04/03/5967939.html>

Dari/Pashto
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
4960 Dushanbe-TJK 100 NE/ME/CIS footprint 1211 UT 4960.091 kHz.
<dari.ruvr.ru/afg_schedule/>

English
927 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
7260 Vladivostok 500 AS/SoEaAS  S=9+20dB in Tokyo
                                S=8 in Moscow, QRM MNG co-ch
9560 Novosibirsk 250 AS/SoEaAS  S=4 poor in Japan
                                S=6 in Moscow
9625 DRM ch#2 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR  S=9+40dB in Germany
12075 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS  - not on service today

Hindi
972 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
5885 Moscow 250 AS  suffers by NorthKRE jamming against VOA 5890
     strong S=9+30dB signal on local Moscow unit, ex Dushanbe-TJK.
7315 DRM ch#2 Irkutsk 15 AS  co-channel covered by CNR2 China
Bussiness R
Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Bangalore FM broadcasts on 104.0 MHz
<hindi.ruvr.ru/radio_broadcast.html>

Japanese
720 Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk 1000 AS/FE S=9+30dB in Tokyo
5980 Irkutsk 250 AS/FE  S=9+30dB in Tokyo
     distorted feeder line, choppy audio staccato
<http://japanese.ruvr.ru/jap_schedule/>

Mongolian  1080 Irkutsk 500 AS
5900 Vladivostok 100 AS/FE  S=9+25dB in Tokyo
<http://mongolian.ruvr.ru/mong_schedule/>

Russian (GR)
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA  S=9+40dB in Moscow
                                 S=9+30dB in Germany
1026 Novosibirsk 500 ME, CIS-CeAS
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME S=9+25dB in Moscow
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
9625 DRM ch#? Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 15 EUR  S=9+30dB in Italy
12055 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC  S=9+10dB in Germany
                                              S=9+20dB in Italy
                                              S=9+10dB in Moscow
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, ibid.)

RUSSIA/TAJIKISTAN 1400-1500 UT

English
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
4960 Dushanbe-TJK 100 CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS footprint 1211 UT 4960.091
6235 Dushanbe-TJK 100 CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS S=8-9 in Germany
7260 Vladivostok 500 AS/SoEaAS S=9+15dB in Tokyo, co-ch QRM MNG
9560 Novosibirsk 250 AS/SoEaAS S=7 in Tokyo
12075 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS - not on service today

Turkish
1170 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
1350 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
<http://turkish.ruvr.ru/tur_schedule/>

Urdu
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS
927 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
5885 Moscow 100 AS S=9+20dB in Germany
strong S=9+20dB signal on local Moscow unit, ex Dushanbe-TJK.
7315 DRM ch#2 Irkutsk 15 AS co-channel covered by CNR2 China BusinessR
<http://urdu.ruvr.ru/pak_schedule.html>

Russian (GR)
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
1026 Novosibirsk 500 ME, CIS-CeAS
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE
12055 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC S=9 in Italy
S=9+25dB in Germany
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/TAJIKISTAN  1500-1600 UT
English
927 Dushanbe-TJK 300 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
4960 Dushanbe-TJK 100  CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS  footprint 1211 UT 4960.091
5900 Irkutsk 500 SoAS NE/ME  S=7 in Germany
11985 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS  S=9+10dB in Italy

German
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR  S=9+30dB

Hindi
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
5885 Moscow 100 AS  S=9+10dB in Germany, S=9+20dB in Italy
strong S=9+20dB signal on local Moscow unit, ex Dushanbe-TJK.
7315 DRM ch#2 Irkutsk 15 AS  co-channel covered by CNR2 China
Bussiness R

Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Bangalore FM broadcasts on 104.0 MHz
<hindi.ruvr.ru/radio_broadcast.html>

Persian
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
1377 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS
6235 Dushanbe-TJK 100 ME  S=7 in Germany, S=8-9 in Italy
<http://persian.ruvr.ru/2012_10_18/91620925/>

Serbian
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR  S=9+30dB in Italy
7340 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 60 EUR  - not on air
<http://serbian.ruvr.ru/about.html>

Turkish
1170 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
1350 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
<http://turkish.ruvr.ru/tur_schedule/>

Russian (GR)
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 SoEaEUR
1026 Novosibirsk 500 ME, CIS-CeAS
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE
12055 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC  S=9 in Italy
S=9+25dB in Germany
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/ARMENIA/GERMANY/MOLDOVA/TAJIKISTAN 1700-1800 UT

Arabic
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS
5945 Novosibirsk 250 AS, AF, NE/ME ???????
<http://arabic.ruvr.ru/arb_schedule/>

English
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
4960 Dushanbe-TJK 100 CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS footprint 1211 UT 4960.091
5900 Irkutsk 500 SoAS NE/ME S=7 in Germany
5955 Novosibirsk 250 AS poor in Germany
7390 Novosibirsk 500 NE/ME
totally covered by Denge Kurdistani from Kostinbrod, BRB broker

French

<http://french.ruvr.ru/fra_schedule/> old version

German
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR S=9+30dB
<german.ruvr.ru/frequenzen/> old version

Italian
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR
<http://italian.ruvr.ru/2011/01/20/40500609.html>

Kurdish
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 TUR/CYP/NE/ME/CIS/Caucasus
<http://kurdish.ruvr.ru/kur_schedule/> old version

Polish
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 EUR
<http://polish.ruvr.ru/about.html> old version

Russian (GR)
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 SoEaEUR
1026 Novosibirsk 500 ME, CIS-CeAS
1170 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 NE/ME/CIS
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE
6110 Moscow 250 NE/ME, Caucasus
6110 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC
local strong signal at Moscow S=9+35dB
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/ARMENIA/GERMANY/MOLDOVA/TAJIKISTAN  1800-1900 UT

Arabic
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS
<http://arabic.ruvr.ru/arb_schedule/>

English
648 Dushanbe-TJK 1000 NE/ME/CIS
801 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AS, CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS
927 Dushanbe-TJK 300 NE/ME, CIS-CeAS
4960 Dushanbe-TJK 100  CIS-CeAS, NE/ME/CIS  footprint 1211 UT 4960.091
11985 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 AF/NE/ME/CIS

French
9400 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 AF
<http://french.ruvr.ru/fra_schedule/>  old version

German
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR  S=9+30dB
<german.ruvr.ru/frequenzen/>  old version

Russian (GR)
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 SoEaEUR
1026 Novosibirsk 500 ME, CIS-CeAS
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 Baltics, Belarus
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 EUR
1170 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 NE/ME/CIS
1215 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 1200 EUR, Baltics, Belarus
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1413 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
1413 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 SoEaEUR
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE
6110 Moscow 250 NE/ME, Caucasus
6110 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC
     local strong signal at Moscow S=9+35dB
9790 Moscow 250 CeAS, CIS-CeAS, AUS/NZL/PAC
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/ARMENIA/MOLDOVA/TAJIKISTAN  1900-2000 UT

Arabic
1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS
<http://arabic.ruvr.ru/arb_schedule/>

French
9400 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 AF
<http://french.ruvr.ru/fra_schedule/>  old version

Russian (GR)
612 Moscow Kurkino 20 Moscow area, EUR
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 Baltics, Belarus
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 EUR
1170 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 NE/ME/CIS
1215 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 1200 EUR, Baltics, Belarus
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1413 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
1413 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 SoEaEUR
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/ARMENIA/GERMANY/MOLDOVA/TAJIKISTAN 2000-2100 UT
Arabic

1314 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 1000 NE/ME/CIS
6235 Dushanbe-TJK 500 AF, NE/ME, CIS-CeAS S=8-9 in Western Europe
<http://arabic.ruvr.ru/arb_schedule/>

French
9400 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 AF S=6-7 in western Europe
<http://french.ruvr.ru/fra_schedule/> old version

Russian (GR)
693 Oranienburg Germany 125 EUR covered by UK stns co-channel
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 Baltics, Belarus
1143 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 150 EUR
1170 Armavir Tbilisskaya 1200 NE/ME/CIS
1215 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 1200 EUR, Baltics, Belarus
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE

Spanish - nothing noted as European sce in Spanish
6090 Armavir Tbilisskaya 200 EUR NIL
6120 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 120 EUR NIL
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2)

RUSSIA/ARMENIA/MOLDOVA/TAJIKISTAN

2000-2130
Serbian
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR

2100-2200 UT
Portuguese - nothing noted as European service in Portuguese
6090 Armavir Tbilisskaya 200 EUR ??
6120 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 120 EUR ??
<http://portuguese.ruvr.ru/horario/>

Russian (GR)
612 Moscow Kurkino 20 Moscow area, EUR
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 UKR/MDA
999 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 SoEaEUR
1215 Kaliningrad Bolshakovo 1200 EUR, Baltics, Belarus
1395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CIS/Caucasus, NE/ME
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 CIS-CeAS
1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 ME/NE

2130-2230
Italian
1548 Grigoriopol-MDA 500 EUR

2200-2300
English
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM, SoAM

Portuguese
9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM

2300-2400
English
9395 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 CeAM, SoAM

Portuguese
9750 Yerevan Gavar-ARM 500 SoAM
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, ibid.)

I'm finding this all rather confusing. Perhaps one list for what remains hour to hour, or by language, please! 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Walt, Nobody knows exactly the LATEST shortwave schedule of Voice of Russia, started now from 2nd January. The website of Moscow in all languages is the most terrible thing that's I've seen in 40 years doing DX editing.

No broadcasting schedules in French, German, Portuguese and Spanish can be found at all, not to mention of Chinese and other exotic languages.

The journalists at Radio Moscow broadcasting house have not understood at all, that their station activity was once again made smaller by at least 80 percent.

But we are used to that method since Soviet times. There is no wheel turn in the USSR or Russia era, the Orthodox holidays until 6 January stop damps each activity.

I had assumed "Someone from the DX community" worldwide would help me in the 24 Hours investigation job. Unfortunately negative.

Tomorrow when I have leisure time again, I'll put an actual VOR plan together of 24 hrs in Russian, and another different for the foreign languages. Now I go to bed. Good night. Regards de wolfy df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Wolfgang, there was help, not as organized and detailed as their excellent work, but according to the possibilities of each. Also with all due respect to your work, Russia will still take many decades to

get rid of the dictatorship and of the bureaucracy the former USSR.
73 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia-Brazil, ibid.)

Why mixing DX with political argues? Do you want me to explain you which is the real dictatorship of the 21st century or just to talk about our hobby? :) 73, (Georgi Bancov, Bulgaria, ibid.)

LOG: 6000 kHz VoR DRM ~19 -24 db SNR 19.50 - 21 UT

Switching on the radio station at ~1950
1950 to 2000 UT English 13 kbps / kbps Russian 8
2000 to 2100 UT Spanish 13 kbps kbps MM Journaline
2100 to 2200 UT Portuguese 13 kbps + 1 kbps MM Journaline

No details about it here:
http://english.ruvr.ru/engradio/

No details about it here:
http://spanish.ruvr.ru/spa_schedule/

No details about it here:
http://portuguese.ruvr.ru/horario/

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http://www.rhci-online.de/6000kHz_VoR_DRM.gif
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In the programs no frequencies were mentioned. From 2200 to 2201 UT for 1 minute VoR WS in English, then DRM-transmitter shutdown (Roger Roger, Germany, Jan 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. The Voice of Russia has not only cancelled English shortwave and medium wave broadcasts between 1900-2200 UT, it has also deleted programmes in the World Service edition internet stream between those hours. See
http://english.ruvr.ru/radio_broadcast/schedule/
The World Service player just has dead "air" at this time. The USA edition internet stream, however, continues (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Alan: I tried playing the USA stream and it appears dead, too. So much for VOR in English. I never heard back from their email: letters@ruvr.ru 73 (Noble West, Clinton TN, 2207 UT Jan 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Noble, The US stream is working OK - you have to click on the "play" triangle to start it. The World Service edition re-started at 2200 (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK)

Alan: I clicked the play button, even tried using WMP but neither would work. Must be the Google Chrome frame plugin for IE that may have caused it. (Noble, ibid.)

Noble, It plays fine in Mozilla. I just tried it in Internet Explorer, and like you find that neither stream will play. (Maybe VoR should look at alternative means of broadcasting their programmes .. something like ... oh, I don't know ... shortwave, perhaps? !!)
Good night all (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK)

http://condensa.ru.test.ipercast.net/playlist/radio04.asx
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio04/mp3

At 2245utc:

===>Arabic
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio01/mp3

===>?? Asian Language, Hindi-Dialekt?
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio02/mp3

===>??  non stop music....
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio03/mp3

===>English-WS
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio04/mp3

===>English for US
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio05/mp3

===> Vietnamese
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio06/mp3

===>? Farsi
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio07/mp3

====> Spanish
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio08/mp3

===> Italiano
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio09/mp3

===> Russian
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio10/mp3

===> Chinese
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio11/mp3

===> ?  Kurdish
http://audio1.ipercast.net/condensa.ru/radio12/mp3

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OK, now I have to go to bed ..... ;-)
(Roger Roger, Germany, ibid.)

9395, 02/Jan 2254, Armenia(?), Voice of Russia World Service in English. The frequency is programmed to Russian. OM and YL talk. At 2300 ID. Good signal in radio remote from Nederlands. Very weak signal in my QTH (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana Bahia, 12 14¥S 38 58¥W - Brasil, ibid.)

Here in St John's, Newfoundland (Eastern Canada) this signal is clear enough to listen, still in English at 2320, 02 Jan 2013. (Using an Eton E10 with 2m wire strung over my window frame instead of the radio's built-in aerial.) (Philip Hiscock, ibid.)

Re: Voice of Russia World Service in English on 9395 -- Nothing on this frequency now either from my QTH or the remote receiver in the Netherlands even though its scheduled until 0000 (Stephen Cooper, UK, 2339 UT Jan 2, ibid.)

The 9395 transmitter unceremoniously went off the air, mid-sentence, at 2330 (Philip Hiscock in St. John's NL Canada, ibid.)

7290 seems to be coming on as normal anyway from Moldova. The testing tone has been going since about 2350 (Stephen Cooper, 2357 UT, ibid.)

"Blast from the past"? :))) Apples and oranges, all mixed up, LOL --- Just wondering what on earth does 'dictatorship' (if any) have to do with wry-handed publishing of a broadcast schedule? Would rather name it devil-may-care attitude (Leo, Moldova, ibid.)

Steve: VOR noted weak on 7290 via Moldova at 0008 UT in English with 32 db gain presumed to North America. Audio kept cutting on and off during VOR News at hourtop, must be faulty transmitter in Moldova! JBA to make out much details. But this is a sign we may still hear The Voice Of Russia, bears further listening (Noble West, TN, ibid.)

No audio problems during the 0100 VOR newscast on 7290. Somewhat undermodulated, but that is not uncommon for this transmitter. Looks like this is our only easy option for VOR English in NA. Maybe they'll still return to 9665 for A-13 (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, ibid.)

Not so at all for the west coast North America. 7290 is a DX target here most of the time. We sure counted on the Far East transmitters for VOR (and in the old days Ukraine, Belarus and Armenia relays, too)

(Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Voice of Russia World Service English on Medium Wave heard at 0230 on 927 Dushanbe-TJK 300 kW at 506 miles. Very good signal at my local sunrise. Three young women discussing problems with English translations around the world. One of the women had to use the linguistic crutch ìlikeî in every sentence. Pips and ID at 0300 (Brock Whaley, Kandahar, Afghanistan, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Walter: Excellent summation of VOR English. I heard them at 0343 UT in English with better signal peaking above 56-62 db's at times as of UT Thursday, January 3, 2013. They were playing classical music during the hour I checked. Great music, too. It pays to stay tuned (Noble West, ibid.)

Desde el dia 31 de Diciembre ya no se escucha el programa de La Voz de Rusia en espaÒol de 2000 a 2100h UT a travÈs de la onda corta. øAlguien sabe algo al respecto? En inglÈs ha suprimido las emisiones hacia AmÈrica del Norte. Y hacia Europa en inglÈs sÛlo emite por las maÒanas de 0600 a 1400h y sÛlo por DRM (inmitando a Radio Exterior de EspaÒa), suprimiendo las emisiones analÛgicas todo el dia y las emisiones de la tarde hacia Europa. En italiano La Voz de Rusia sÛlo emite por onda corta en DRM y por onda media. Rusia ha cerrado las plantas transmisoras de Samara y San Petersburgo..

øHan suprimido la emisiÛn en onda corta en espaÒol hacia Europa? En la web de La Voz de Rusia contin˙an los datos antiguos. Por lo menos habrÌa que solicitar que emitan en DRM EN ESPA—OL hacia Europa (Francisco Rubio, ADXB Jan 2, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

All is not lost however as I am getting a better than usual signal from VOR via the Moldova site on 7290 for Latin America at 0327 tune in after bandscanning. 40 db strength for a change, better than previous session when it was around 34 db's. Discussions include The Russian Revolution set to music bed in background. Excellent presentation by VOR announcers tonight. Not bad for a signal directed to Latin America. So, program 7290, sit back, relax and be informed. It's Voice Of Russia on shortwave. Enjoyable music playing now at 0342 UT. Presumed classical and soft choir (Noble West, TN, ibid.)

I guess they use the 250 degrees antenna, instead of 8 x 4 dipoles at 309 degr. 56 degr difference is a lot! 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

details here:
http://www.hfskeds.com/skeds/
http://www.hfskeds.com/skeds/B12_Combined_130103e_1900G.zip

look @:
<http://www.rhci-online.de/6000kHz_DRM.gif>

2000-2200 UT, Moscow  40 kW  ===>  261

It looks like that the "DRM-specialists" have not yet discovered these radio transmissions.
http://www.drmrx.org/forum/
http://www.drmrx.org/forum/forumdisplay.php?f=22

The Voice of Russia broadcasts - and NOBODY notices anything ..... The Voice of Russia broadcasts - and says at the end of their program NOTHING about the used frequencies. The Voice of Russia broadcasts - and writes on their home NOTHING about the new frequency. It's what I call "secret radio" ..... ;-) 73+55 (roger, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST

Have 7290 tuned in now and is doing a fine job here. Seems a bit stronger than usual, but could be conditions. Music now, which is nice. Hopefully they'll have more Russian music. At 500 kW, we're still getting a bunch off the side and they're doing fine here tonight. Will be good to hear R PMR back after their break (Greg Putrich, Minneapolis, MN, 0043 UT Jan 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOR via Moldova in English in coming in at a very respectable S7 on the WCNA tonight from 0300 tune-in. Not quite armchair, but I'll take it! 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, 0330 UT Jan 5, ibid.)

I've noticed the last couple of nights the Voice of Russia has been off 7250, only coming in on 7290 via Moldova. Does anyone know the deal with this? Gosh, remember when Radio Moscow used to be on every band 24 hours a day English causing all kinds of collisions? (Pat Blakely, SC, UT Jan 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12075, Jan 5 at 1356, balalaika music and talk in English, poor, insufficient signal, but must be one of the surviving transmissions of VOR, i.e. 12-15, 500 kW, 155 degrees from TAJIKISTAN to S Asia. VOR is harder to hear now than even BBC.

9395, Jan 9 at 2201, presumed VOR English to Latin (lacking North) America is presumably the JBA signal via ARMENIA, useless. Nothing at all at 2329 recheck, tho some have reported it axually cut off by 2330 instead of scheduled 2400.

7290 via PRIDNESTROVYE [see also] doesn`t start VOR until 0000, but checked at 2329, I heard Chinese instead, which must have been CNR1, 222 degrees from Beijing 572 site, per Aoki, and would continue until

0130 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9395, ARMENIA, Voice of Russia, 2200 English, a new frequency since recent VOR changes, s/on with ìThis is the Voice of Russia World Service.î, news. Fair Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [and non]. B-12 SW schedule for Voice of Russia as of Jan 6:

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| 0000-0400 | 7290 | KCH | 500 kW | 296 deg | CeAm | English |
| 0000-0400 | 9750 | ERV | 500 kW | 258 deg | SoAm | Spanish |
| 0000-0500 | 9395 | ERV | 500 kW | 305 deg | NoAm | Spanish |
| 0200-0400 | 12070 | MSK | 250 kW | 117 deg | CeAs | Russian |
| 0200-0500 | 9480 | DB | 500 kW | 267 deg | SoAm | Spanish |
| 0400-0500 | 9765 | ERV | 500 kW | 258 deg | SoAm | Spanish |
| 0600-0900 | 11635 | MSK | 040 kW | 260 deg | WeEu | English DRM |
| 0600-1000 | 21800 | IRK | 250 kW | 152 deg | AUS | English |
| 0600-1000 | 21820 | NVS | 500 kW | 145 deg | AUS | English |
| 0700-0900 | 12015 | IRK | 250 kW | 180 deg | EaAs | English |
| 0700-0900 | 21840 | NVS | 250 kW | 180 deg | SoAs | English |
| 0700-1100 | 15745 | DB | 500 kW | 155 deg | SoAs | English (15745.2 Jan. 5) |
| 0800-0900 | 9625 | KLG | 015 kW | 220 deg | WeEu | English+Russian DRM |
| 0900-1000 | 9625 | KLG | 015 kW | 220 deg | WeEu | English+German DRM |
| 0900-1000 | 11635 | MSK | 040 kW | 260 deg | WeEu | German DRM |
| 1000-1200 | 7260 | VLD | 500 kW | 230 deg | SEAs | English |
| 1000-1200 | 9625 | KLG | 015 kW | 220 deg | WeEu | German+English DRM |
| 1000-1200 | 11935 | NVS | 250 kW | 120 deg | EaAs | Chinese |
| 1000-1300 | 5900 | VLD | 100 kW | 270 deg | EaAs | Chinese |
| 1000-1400 | 7305 | IRK | 250 kW | 180 deg | EaAs | Chinese |
| 1100-1200 | 11640 | IRK | 015 kW | 224 deg | SoAs | English DRM |
| 1100-1400 | 6115 | IRK | 250 kW | 152 deg | SEAs | Chinese |
| 1100-1500 | 9560 | NVS | 250 kW | 145 deg | SEAs | English |
| 1200-1300 | 5885 | DB | 100 kW | 137 deg | SoAs | English |
| 1200-1300 | 7260 | VLD | 500 kW | 230 deg | SEAs | Vietnamese |
| 1200-1400 | 4960 | DB | 100 kW | 180 deg | WeAs | Dari/Pashto |
| 1200-1400 | 5980 | IRK | 100 kW | 110 deg | EaAs | Japanese |
| 1200-1400 | 9625 | KLG | 015 kW | 220 deg | WeEu | English+Russian DRM |
| 1200-1500 | 12055 | MSK | 250 kW | 117 deg | SoAs | Russian |
| 1200-1500 | 12075 | DB | 500 kW | 155 deg | SoAs | English (12075.2 Jan. 5) |
| 1300-1400 | 5885 | DB | 100 kW | 137 deg | SoAs | Hindi |
| 1300-1400 | 5900 | VLD | 100 kW | 270 deg | EaAs | Mongolian Mon-Sat |
| 1300-1500 | 7260 | VLD | 500 kW | 230 deg | SEAs | English |
| 1300-1600 | 7315 | IRK | 015 kW | 224 deg | SoAs | Hindi/Urdu/Hindi DRM |
| 1400-1500 | 5885 | DB | 100 kW | 137 deg | SoAs | Urdu |
| 1400-1500 | 6235 | DB | 100 kW | 240 deg | WeAs | English |
| 1400-1900 | 4960 | DB | 100 kW | 180 deg | WeAs | English |
| 1500-1600 | 5885 | DB | 100 kW | 137 deg | SoAs | Hindi |

1500-1600 11985 ERV 500 kW / 192 deg to EaAf English
1500-1700  6235 DB  100 kW / 240 deg to WeAs Farsi
1500-1800  5900 NVS 250 kW / 180 deg to SoAs English
1600-1700  5885 DB  100 kW / 137 deg to SoAs English
1600-1700  9405 KCH 500 kW / 235 deg to NoAf French
1600-1800  5955 NVS 250 kW / 180 deg to SoAs English
1600-1800  7390 NVS 250 kW / 145 deg to CeAs English
1600-1800 11985 ERV 500 kW / 192 deg to EaAf French
1600-1900  6110 NVS 250 kW / 240 deg to CeAs Russian
1600-2100  9340 DB  500 kW / 297 deg to N/ME Arabic
1700-1900  4960 DB  100 kW / 180 deg to WeAs English
1700-1900  6145 KLG 015 kW / 220 deg to WeEu Italian/French DRM
1700-1900  9790 MSK 250 kW / 117 deg to CeAs Russian
1700-2100  6235 DB  100 kW / 240 deg to WeAs Arabic
1700-2100  9400 KCH 500 kW / 235 deg to NoAf French
1800-1900 11985 ERV 500 kW / 192 deg to EaAf English
2000-2200  6000 MSK 040 kW / 260 deg to WeEu Spanish/Portuguese DRM
2200-2400  9395 ERV 500 kW / 305 deg to NoAm English
2200-2400  9750 ERV 500 kW / 258 deg to SoAm Portuguese
2300-2400  7290 KCH 500 kW / 296 deg to CeAm English  (DX RE MIX NEWS #762 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon Jan. 7, 2013 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. LA VOZ DE RUSIA EN DRM --- Desde el 1 de Enero La Voz de Rusia sÛlo emite en espaÒol hacia EspaÒa el programa de 2000-2100h UT por el sistema digital DRM, por la frecuencia de 6000 KHz. Escuchada con buena calidad en Barcelona.

El programa en portuguÈs hacia Europa utiliza tambiÈn sÛlo el DRM, misma frecuencia a partir de 2100 UT. En italiano sÛlo en onda media y en DRM a las 1700 por 6145. En resumen La Voz de Rusia apuesta por la DRM para Europa. En total la emisora de Mosc˙ emite cada dia en DRM un total 21 horas en 9 idiomas (Paco Rubio, ADXB, Jan 9, noticiasdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

** RUSSIA [and non]. RADIO LIBERTY LOSES ITS LICENSE IN MOSCOW, AND RUSSIANS RAISE VOICES IN DISMAY --- By Kathy Lally, http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/us-radio-liberty-silenced-in-moscow/2013/01/03/7865d02e-55d0-11e2-bf3e-76c0a789346f_print.html

MOSCOW -- American-financed Radio Liberty, which penetrated the Iron Curtain with news of the outside world during the Cold War, has been trying to join today's information revolution -- and the static crackling around its efforts has been loud enough to reach Washington.

The radio station, funded by Congress but independent of it, has embraced a digital future, dismissing 37 journalists as it downsized just before it lost its only local broadcasting license here in November, when a 2011 law preventing foreign ownership came into

effect.

Traditional media everywhere grapple with the Internet age and the wide availability of information, but here in the Russia of Vladimir Putin, where news is highly political and controlled, a small but loyal radio audience that treasures unbiased reporting has declared itself betrayed. Even Mikhail Gorbachev, the last Soviet president, has complained. The name Radio Liberty -- Svoboda in Russian ñ carries memories of overcoming Soviet oppression, freighted with disappointment over failed democracy, and its transformation is mourned.

On New Year's Eve, after weeks of growing controversy, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty President and Chief Executive Officer Steven Korn resigned, effective Jan. 25. He cited personal reasons -- his father is ill, and his family has been unable to join him in Prague, where the service is based -- although he said in an interview from the United States on Thursday that his critics would probably interpret his departure as their victory. "I understand the nostalgia," he said, "but it's not our fault."

Controversy aside, the last weeks have been sad and silent for Marina Zherdeva, a 66-year-old artist who said she listened to Radio Liberty for 40 years, "since before it was allowed." The station began broadcasts in 1953, when Russians listened by shortwave radio, often sticking an antenna into a potted plant on the windowsill and tuning in at night, when reception was better.

"It had news, culture, political topics, wonderful programs you couldn't find anywhere else," Zherdeva said.

"I'm not a very good computer user, to put it mildly. A radio -- you can always switch it on anywhere. I could carry it with me. You can't do that with a computer," she said from her realm of bulky desktops, where smartphones are far from the horizon.

Changing climates

After the Soviet Union fell apart in 1991, Russian President Boris Yeltsin allowed Radio Liberty to open a bureau in Moscow. It obtained a medium wave, or AM, license in March 1992. By 2004, it had more than 30 affiliates across the country, giving it access to Russia's 10 largest markets. But by then, Putin was exerting control over information, and the affiliates were pressured to drop Radio Liberty programs. For the past several years, Radio Liberty was heard only by those who have a shortwave radio, those who could get a weak signal in Moscow and Internet users drawn to the Web site.

Korn and Julia Ragona, RFE/RL's vice president, hired Masha Gessen, a Russian American journalist who last year published a book critical of Putin, as the editor, based in Moscow instead of in Prague. But a firestorm erupted as journalists whom Korn and Ragona fired set up an alternative Web site criticizing the changes.

Gorbachev, who inadvertently helped bring about the demise of the Soviet Union by opening up access to information, said that in light of the recent clampdown by Putin's government -- including laws forcing activists who get grants from abroad to register as foreign agents and the expulsion from Russia of the U.S. Agency for International Development -- it looked as if the United States was making "an about-turn."

Two Russian dissidents, Lyudmila Alexeyeva of the Moscow Helsinki Group and Sergei Kovalyov of the Sakharov Foundation, wrote to Congress demanding an investigation. Radio Liberty's management, Alexeyeva said, had harmed the U.S. image here more than the KGB ever could.

Although Congress finances Radio Liberty and other U.S. international broadcasters, such as Voice of America and Radio Farda (which is aimed at Iran), it is run by the Broadcasting Board of Governors -- four Republicans and four Democrats appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate to prevent congressional interference. The board has launched a review of the operations in Russia. Some board members plan to visit here early this year, and they say they have not abandoned hope of the radio station returning to the air.

`Alternative ways'

Lyudmila Telen, then-editor of the Radio Liberty Web site, was among those told in September that she would get severance through the end of the year if she resigned immediately. "Over the weekend, they let us in the office for an hour to get our things," she said, "and they sent security guards to watch us."

"When I was editor, I understood very well we had to find a new audience, but I thought it would be wrong to throw out the old one," she said, noting that the station had been becoming more innovative and was widely quoted for its scoops, interviews and political analysis.

Gessen, speaking by telephone Thursday, said the station couldn't ignore that its audience was dropping while the Russian Web audience was growing.

"We were preaching to the converted," she said. "Our job was to

deliver content, and that's what we've started to do."

She has formed partnerships with a few other independent sites, including TV Rain, an online television channel, which will use Radio Liberty content. "It's extremely easy to shut off access to a single Web site," Gessen said. "We need to have a lot of alternative ways to get our content out."

Could the changes have been handled without setting off so much clamor? "I've asked myself that a gazillion times," Korn said. Other countries, including the United States, have similar laws against foreign ownership of broadcast licenses. What could be done, he asked, but to go online, with enthusiasm.

Perhaps the changes were necessary and overdue, said Alexander Morozov, director of the Institute of Media Research. But he said all would have been accepted better had staff members been given the opportunity to see whether they could fit into the new strategy.

"The change came in a very rude way," he said. "The journalists are very well known and respected. Of course, there is no other way that it could have been accepted in Russia except with infuriation."
(c) The Washington Post Company (via Mike Cooper, David Cole, DXLD)

VOR`s take on this:
EINE NEUE SEITE DES AUSLANDSFUNKS IN RUSSLAND
Natalia Kowalenko 7.1.2013, 13:33
http://german.ruvr.ru/2013_01_07/Eine-neue-Seite-des-Auslandsfunks-in-Russland/
(via Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

** RWANDA. 7300, Jan 9 at 1530, very poor signal with DW IS, can`t tell language, but listed as 250 kW non-direxional in Swahili at 15-16. Hmmm, probably long path like SOMALILAND 7120 in our mornings
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAINT HELENA. Glenn, here is another account of the Radio Saint Helena swan song broadcast:

From page 10 http://www.shbc.sh THE SENTINEL Thursday 3 January 2013
http://www.shbc.sh/sentinel/Sentinel_130103.pdf

REPORT --- RADIO ST HELENA CLOSES DOWN AFTER 45 YEARS BROADCASTING
Radio St Helena supporters say goodbye on Christmas night
Station Manager, Ralph Peters, turns off transmitter after final broadcast [captions]

On Christmas Night 2012, 45 years of Radio St Helena came to an end as Station Manager Ralph Peters turned off the medium wave transmitter, a

few minutes past midnight.

The closure of the station had been planned for more than 18 months, following the concept and launch of St Helena Broadcasting (Guarantee) Corporation Ltd., (SHBC). Even so, for the 15 or so dedicated followers of Radio St Helena who had gathered at the station that final night to say farewell, it was a sad occasion.

Speaking during the final minutes of broadcasting, Station Manager, Ralph Peters, said: ìIt has been really emotional; I think that is a mild word really. We were on air since 6.30 this morning with Bert Constantine, one of our oldest producers. Then we had Stedson (Francis). Then Tony Green made a comeback with his programme, as did Ray (Matches) Williams. The calls they were having; people were really saddened we were closing down at midnight tonight.î

Among the callers were former station managers Laura Lawrence and Gary Walters, both in UK. There were also telephoned messages from many short wave radio enthusiasts from around the world who had established a link with Radio St Helena over the years. The honour of final presenter was given to former Station Manager, Tony Leo, undoubtedly the name most synonymous with the pioneering achievements of Radio St Helena over the years.

In deciding what to do for this historic last show Tony decided on a musical story board: ìRadio St Helena has been operating since 1967, playing music as Darrin Henry,

CHLOE TERRY READING NEWS FOR SHBC RADIO [caption]

the main thrust of the material, so I thought about using a hit from every year, which I did.

Unfortunately my computer crashed somewhere along the way, but after that got up and running I felt better. The programme followed the more solemn path, giving the story of Radio St Helena, how it all started and all the rest of it. That was what it was all about.î

With fingers nimbly operating the slider controls on the large mixing desk, Tony Leo expertly navigated the 1548 kHz broadcast towards midnight. The 14 people crowded into the studio with Tony as he opened the microphone for everyone to say a final group goodbye, which came out as an uncertain mixture of cheers, claps and ëgoodbyeí shouts.

Then the recorded chimes of Big Ben were played, followed by the national anthem. It was all over. There were drinks and snacks afterwards. Nicholas Yon, chairman of the Radio St Helena board for the closing 9 months, made a speech, thanking everyone who had

contributed to the 45 years of service of Radio St Helena. Earlier Ralph had told me, ìCome 12 oíclock Iím going to be saddened the station is closing down, but in one sense Iím glad that itís all over because itís been one hell of a ride over the past two months, trying to get everything together.î

SHBC FM RADIO TEST TRANSMISSIONS STARTED

On Saturday 22 December, test broadcasting started on SHBCís first FM radio channel on St Helena. The FM channel is being relayed around the island using 4 transmitters, positioned in Jamestown (102.7 MHz), High Knoll (90.5 MHz), Levelwood (95.1 MHz) and Blue Hill (95.3 MHz).

Engineers installing the network have been working over the holidays to get all transmitters operational. Teething problems have been encountered achieving optimum signal strength/quality in and out of High Knoll, resulting in a lack of power output at Blue Hill.

Work on the network has continued into the new year. Once the first FM channel is fully commissioned, a further two will be installed giving listeners a total of 3 channels to choose from, 24 hours a day.

Simultaneously the studio end of the operation is also undergoing intense setup work, at the heart of which is a computer running professional radio playout management software, which, once fully functional, will play a huge part in making the daily job of presenting as efficient as possible. The SHBC team, as well as voluntary presenters will all undergo training on the new equipment and software once it is fully operational.

When the hosted channel is fully operational later this month, it will be streamed live via the internet. The official launch of scheduled programming on SHBC radio will be phased in during January 2013. BBC World Service news is currently being relayed on the FM channel with news, local emergency and Public Service Announcements (PSA) as required. (We are not accepting general advertising announcements at this time.)

News times are currently 10am, 12 noon and 5pm. All times subject to change. To submit PSAs and emergency notices for broadcasting, please email news @ shbc.sh or telephone 2727. Please leave a message if no one is available to take your call.

Bert Constantine began the last day of presenting at Radio St Helena, pictured here at the controls with wife Audrey [caption]
(via Joe Buch, DXLD)

Another version:
http://www.shbc.sh/L3_news_121225_radio_sthelena_closes.html
(via DXLD)

** SARAWAK [non]. 15420, 05/Jan 1025, Palau (Relay), R Free Sarawak in Iban. Music, then Om talk. Very weak signal in my Degen, but light noises and good, clear modulation. Signal is degrading (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, 12 14¥S 38 58¥W - Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PALAU, 15360, R. Free Kenyalang via Palau Jan 06 *0900-0907 34433 Iban, Opening music, ID and opening announce, Telephone talk back.

15420, R. Free Sarawak via Palau, Jan 06, 1151-1200*, 35443-45433 Iban, Talk, ID at 1151, etc. (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 21505, Jan 6 at 1433, BSKSA in Arabic marred by humbuzz, so at least one of their transmitters is still defective, but nowhere as bad as it once was, on 15435. 21505, Jan 7 at 1415, BSKSA in Arabic clear today without any humbuzz like yesterday.

17615, Jan 8 at 1426, BSKSA is today`s purveyor of open carrier dead air --- but with a slight whine. At tune-in first figured it was just another pregnant pause during Qur`an, but nothing ensued. Left a receiver on this and never any modulation until 1557*. Taking over 17615 then is FRANCE, q.v. So that`s at least a sesquihour of Riyadh burning 500 kW for nothing, likely two sesquihours, scheduled 1300-1600. Axuallly much more than 3 megawatt-hours wasted, considering the inherent inefficiency of input vs output power. Meanwhile other Saudi frequencies were nominal: 21505, 17895, 17705. It seems too many SW stations have no ``silent sensor`` setup to instantly ring alarm bells when the modulation vanishes. Who cares? And Allah forbid that anyhuman at the studio or transmitter site should axually listen to their own output on an air monitor.

17615, Jan 9 at 1514, BSKSA is managing to modulate today with Qur`an, unlike Jan 8 with at least a sesquihour of dead air. We often listen to this to serenade our breakfast, secure that since it`s all-Arabic, we shall not be influenced by the program content. Other Abrahamists have a more effective approach to evangelism (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SERBIA [non]. Internatioinal R. of Serbia 6100 at 1920 on 2 January with English news and then filler music until 1930 instead of the scheduled Russian. Most likely is wrong file being played. At 1930,

the English programme started as normal (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6190, BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA, International Radio of Serbia at 0124 with a woman with folk vocals and a man with sign-off at 0128 then IS to 0131 and into Serbian - Good Jan 5 - change of time of their English program ex-0130 (Mark Coady, Ont., ODXA YOUR REPORTS EXPRESS January 6th 2013 via DXLD) Depends on day of week, no? Or mixups as above (gh)

** SIKKIM [and non]. Especially good conditions today, as I was able to faintly hear some subcontinent music and chanting/singing under Alice Springs 4835 at 1433, so possibly it was AIR Gangtok, which is not heard every day (Ron Howard, CA, Jan 6, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SINGAPORE. 17860, V. of Croatia via Singapore, Dec 31 *0700-0714, 34332-34333 English and Croatian, 0700 sign on with ID, English news, 0703 ID, Talk (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOICE OF CROATIA, Kranji 17860 kHz (6.11.2012), Lettera QSL e schedule PDF in 10 minuti!!!!!! !!!!!!!!! !!!! E-report con MP3 inviato a: mladen.golubic @ oiv.hr V/s: Mladen Golubic - Frequency Manager (Luca Botto Fiora, Italy, Jan 5, playdx via DXLD)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020, S.I.B.C., 1158 English, man with Christian devotion, 1200 music and woman speaking briefly, 1201 choir with anthem, seemed to go off earlier than usual, but band was very noisy this morning. Very poor Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND. 7120, R. Hargeisa, times of sign-off:
Dec 06 1900*
Dec 07 1901*
Dec 08 1901*
Dec 10 1900*
Dec 11 1902*
Dec 12 1859*
Dec 13 1900*
Dec 14 1905*
Dec 16 1901*
Dec 17 1859*
Dec 19 1900*
Dec 21 1903*
Dec 23 1900*
Dec 24 1900*

Dec 26 1900*
Dec 28 1901*
Dec 30 1900*
(Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Radio Hargaysa, 0330 GMT, opening with anthem and station identification with mentions of the station's internet address, and broadcast frequencies. Signal strength this New Year's 2013 week was a phenomenal S-9 to S-20 signal for the first 45 minutes of the broadcast, in the clear, with excellent modulation. I have observed Radio Hargaysa well past my local midnight (0500 GMT) producing a nice S-7 to S-9 signal and in the clear here in PA. By 0530-0600 GMT signal strength drops to around S-2 to S-5 and is still audible and in the clear and then I am off to bed. Sometimes the transmitter comes on a few minutes late, around 0338 GMT (Stephen Price, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, USA, Kenwood R-5000 with 400 foot long wire with 200 foot buried ground counterpoise with numerous copper pipes driven 8+ feet into the ground and connected to the buried 200 foot counterpoise, Jan 1-4, 2013, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It is all about the grounding system. The signal strengths listed above are cut in half and noise is doubled when the grounding system described above is disconnected.

Glenn, I have literally dusted off the radio to see what is on. This time of year has produced some of the most excellent DX sessions over the last 20 of the 33 years I have been doing it. With that said, how depressing it was to scan 60 meters in the late afternoon, early evening, and then around my local midnight. The memories of all the African, Asian, and Latin American DX flooded my brain only to find nearly nothing on my once favorite bandspread. It is absolutely amazing the amount of exciting DX that was available on the Tropical Bands 20-30 years ago when I was a teenager and young adult. It is certainly NOT the case now, as we all know. However, my depression is being somewhat alleviated by me browsing through three xerox boxes full of QSL cards, exotic envelopes, exotic stamps, letters, and station logos representing 183 verified countries. Along with that, I am in the process of scanning them all in high resolution and archiving them as Jpegs. Anyway, my treat this week was Radio Hargaysa, from Somaliland (Steve Price, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Will be looking forward to viewing those (gh, DXLD)

7120, Jan 4 at 1500, R. Hargaysa very poor signal but audible, presumably just signed back on, via longpath, under heavy CW QRhaM, clueless about what he is covering up, tho certainly entitled to. 1501 answered by a much weaker CW, at same relatively slow speed,

audiblizing Hargeisa a bit more (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Como contactar con Radio Hargeysa? Alguien sabe a quÈ direcciÛn electrÛnica se puede contactar con Radio Hargeysa? Gracias; 7120 kHz, 0340 UT (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, 0344 UT Jan 6, condiglista yg via DXLD)

PodÈs empezar aquÌ: http://www.radiohargaysa.net/
(/Henrik Klemetz, Suecia, ibid.)

Radio Hargeisa, 7120, sent QSL card in 20 days for English report with audio CD & $2. Card was specific as to date and frequency. Address: Baldur Drobnica, Konsularische Vertretung Somaliland, Zedernweg 6, D-50127 Bergheim, Germany (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, R. Hargeisa, *1459-1537 Jan 5. Choral rendition of what I assume is the national anthem; opening by YL, then Qur`an; talk segment to 1518, then HoA music. Fair at tune-in but weak by 1530. Local sunrise here is 1420 UT, so "almost grayline" reception. This winter DX window will disappear here in a few weeks as sunrise gets earlier (John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Drake R-8, 100-foot RW, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. At 0006 UT I noted Radio Sonder Grense on 3320 with the best quality I heard it so far, thanks to the annoying electric noise that plagued all bands up to 49m disappearing yesterday all of the sudden. Light classical music, a beautiful selection without doubts, with occasional male comments on Afrikaans. 25322 (Eduardo Peralta, Argentina, UT Jan 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

After 22 UT it comes very well, 3320 kHz, SINPO 34333, here in eastern part of India (Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, W.B., India, ibid.)

** SPAIN [and non]. 17595 & 21610, Sat Jan 5 at 1605, REE news in Castilian followed by sea-chanty theme of Galician segment, then ``o informativo gallego`. By 1615 I notice it`s back in plain old Castilian, but talking about Bilbao, Cabalgata de los Reyes Magos, etc.; when last heard a few months ago at old timing of weekdays 1230+ UT, Castilian was substituting for Basque, apparently considered by Madrid as too dangerous a language to trust the Bilbaoans to broadcast on SW, and surely not understood by non-Basques in Madrid or anywhere else.

Then from 1623 songs in Spanish until 1630 timesignal and starting another show, `Heliotropo`. If there was any Catalan between them, which used to be one of the Big Three, I missed it. Catalan is also

problematic with the separatist movement. Never mind Valencian, similar to Catalan.

So this is at least one time that REE is condescending to provide a few minutes in ``co-official languages``. I made a point of checking this following David Williams, Sacramento log of last Saturday during this semihour of the same lineup, Galician and Spanish about Basque country instead of Basque language. Vague info earlier from REE was that the non-Castilian languages would now be getting a weekly airing instead of M-F.

So is this on the REE schedule now, and are there any other airings? Not on this grid
http://www.rtve.es/radio/radio-exterior/programacion/
which has obviously not been updated since the major shakeup a sesquimonth ago and in fact still shows a summer 2-hour difference between TU and HOE!

Checking the RTVE website at 1800, I see that the Cabalgata de los Reyes Magos, a very colorful nighttime parade, is in live video streaming from TVE since 1748 UT, and still an hour later, quite a spectacle, elaborate human costumes, plus animal paraders ranging from geese to sheep to elephants, but from Madrid, not Bilbao. Is there another one in Basque country? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17595, Jan 6 at 1500, Very good signal (after initial intermittent quality issues) from REE with sports "Tablero Deportivo." Off at 1657. Is this a "secret" two hour weekend service for North America? (David Williams, Sacramento, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) So it seems (gh)

15385, Monday Jan 7 at 1448, REE with music, poor signal; 1454 EmisiÛn Sefarad sign-off with schedule which is 67% wrong! Says 0115 UT Tuesday will be on 11795, and 0415 on 9650, but we already confirmed in November they were on alternates 11780 and 9690 respectively. They *should* be on 11795, but instead stay on 11780 to collide directly with Brazil in this broadcast to South America. At least the ME broadcast must have started on time this week at 1425, since it ended at 1455 with 6-note IS, different than but seemingly related to the standard REE IS. Carrier stayed on a couple minutes; 15385 reopens anyway at 1500 on another azimuth back in Castilian. BTW, I see the 1425-1455 Monday Sephardic service is missing from HFCC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5965 [via COSTA RICA], Jan 8 at 0430, Good signal from REE in Castilian with "Paisajes y Sabores" program. Much better option than other frequencies (3350 [CR], 6125, 9535, 9620).

7220/7435, Jan 8 from 1358ñ1400, REE IS/time pips followed by CRI Nepali (scheduled) service [via Kunming]. As noted by Glenn, this may be a persistent programming error, perhaps related to the Xi¥an relay of REE programming.

Question? Is the REE Xi¥an relay on 11910 kHz from 1200 to 1400 UT still in service? This used to provide a reliable signal here in California, but is a no show lately (David Williams, Sacramento, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) [Later: he heard it]

Updated REE Spanish language program schedule available http://www.rtve.es/radio/ at the bottom of the page. Unlike the schedule (ProgramaciÛn) published on their main page this appears to be accurate. Note that it is based on the Spanish peninsular time zone (UT +1). (David Williams, Sacramento, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Requires lot of scrolling; only for current day and maÒana (gh, ibid.)

** SRI LANKA. 11750, 01/Jan 1642, SLBC in Sinhalese. OM and YL Talk with guests and listeners by phone. At 1645 local pop music. At 1651 ID. Good signal. Here in my Degen (QTH) reception 25432 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia, Brasil, listening with remote radio in Netherlands, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SLBC 11905, sent nice F/D eQSL in about a day for email report + MP3 file sent via Victor Goonetilleke (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 1/1: 7200, Omdurman, 2037 with near to zero modulation, S9 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. UAE: 13720, Sudan R. Service via UAE, Jan 01, 0447-0457, 34333-33333 Arabic, Talk, ID at 0455

13799.95, R. Dabanga via UAE, Jan 01, 0457-0507, 35433, Arabic, Talk, ID at 0505, IS and SJ and ID at 0506

13799.95, R. Tamazuj via UAE, Jan 02, 0401-0414, 35433, Arabic, Talk, ID at 0404 and 0408
(Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, Jan 2, IC-R75+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-525+RD-9830+115m Sloper Wire, NRD-515+35m Long Wire, NRD-345+35m Long Wire, Satellite 750+30m Long Wire, DE-1130, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWAZILAND. Trans World Radio from Manzini in Swaziland to Southern Africa is listed as signing-on at *1745 (Aoki, EiBi, HFCC), but on Tuesday Jan 8, it did not come on until about 1815. I was busy doing a post to report it as AWOL when it suddenly appeared. Regards, (Bill

Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

What's the frequency, Kenneth?... errr, sorry, Bill? (Steven Wiseblood, Harlingen TEXAS, ibid.) So back from the Philippines (gh)

Apologies; it`s on 3200 (Bill Bingham, RSA, ibid.)

** TAIWAN [non]. 15440, Jan 4 at 2247, RTI via WYFR is instead dead air, past 2300, 2311; meanwhile // 6115 is OK with RTI English at 2248, discussion of a poetess. 15440, Jan 5 at 2214, RTI`s only English to NAm, via WYFR is back today after providing dead air yesterday (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN ([and] non) B-12 SW schedule of Radio Taiwan International:
0000-0030 11655 TAI 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Vietnamese
0000-0100 15440 YFR 100 kW / 285 deg to CeAm Cantonese/Hakka
0000-0300  9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese
0100-0200 11565 YFR 100 kW / 140 deg to SoAm Spanish
0100-0200 11875 TAI 250 kW / 180 deg to SEAs English
0200-0300 11995 GUF 500 kW / 195 deg to SoAm Spanish
0300-0400 15320 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs English
0400-0500 15320 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Cantonese/Hakka
0400-0600 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
0400-0600 15245 TSH 300 kW / 325 deg to EaAs Chinese
0800-0900 11605 TAI 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN  Japanese
0900-1000 15270 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Vietnamese
0900-1000 15465 PAO 100 kW / 230 deg to SEAs Chinese
1000-1100  6105 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
1000-1100 11520 PAO 100 kW / 180 deg to SEAs Indonesian
1000-1100 11625 PAO 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Cantonese/Hakka
1000-1100 11915 TAI 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Indonesian
1000-1100 15270 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Cantonese/Hakka
1000-1100 15465 PAO 100 kW / 230 deg to SEAs Amoy
1000-1400  9780 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese
1000-1500  6085 HUW 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
1000-1700  7385 KOU 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese
1100-1200  7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs English
1100-1200  9465 TAI 250 kW / 180 deg to SEAs English
1100-1200  9735 TAI 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN  Japanese
1100-1200 11625 PAO 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Chinese
1100-1200 11985 HUW 100 kW / 002 deg to NEAs Russian
1100-1300 11720 TAI 300 kW / 300 deg to EaAs Chinese
1100-1400 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
1100-1700  9680 TAI 300 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese
1200-1300  6105 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Cantonese/Hakka
1200-1300  9465 TAI 250 kW / 180 deg to SEAs Amoy
1200-1300  9665 PAO 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Chinese
1200-1300 11625 PAO 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1200-1300 11765 TAI 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Vietnamese
1200-1300 11915 TAI 250 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Cantonese/Hakka
1300-1400  9735 TAI 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN  Japanese
1300-1400 11625 PAO 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Amoy
1300-1400 15265 TSH 300 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Chinese
1300-1500  7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Chinese
1400-1500  9625 TAI 300 kW / 250 deg to SEAs Vietnamese
1400-1500 11875 TAI 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Indonesian
1400-1500 15180 ISS 500 kW / 060 deg to RUSS Russian
1400-1600 11635 PAO 100 kW / 245 deg to SEAs Thai
1400-1800  6075 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
1400-1800  6145 PAO 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese
1500-1600  7380 PAO 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese
1500-1600  7555 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Thai
1500-1600 11605 TAI 300 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Cantonese/Hakka
1500-1700  7365 TAI 300 kW / 325 deg to EaAs Chinese
1600-1700  9440 TAI 250 kW / 205 deg to SoAs English
1600-1700 15485 ISS 500 kW / 085 deg to SEAs English
1700-1800  7465 ISS 500 kW / 055 deg to RUSS Russian
1700-1800 15690 ISS 500 kW / 160 deg to SoAf English
1800-1900  3965 ISS 250 kW / 345 deg to U.K. English
1900-2000  3955 SKN 250 kW / 106 deg to WeEu German
1900-2000  9895 DHA 250 kW / 315 deg to WeEu French
1900-2000 11875 ISS 500 kW / 190 deg to NoAf French
2000-2100  3965 ISS 250 kW / 215 deg to SoEu Spanish
2100-2200  3965 ISS 250 kW / 050 deg to WeEu German
2200-2300  6115 YFR 100 kW / 355 deg to NoAm English
2200-2300 11605 TAI 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN  Japanese
2200-2300 15440 YFR 100 kW / 285 deg to CeAm English
2200-2400  6105 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
2200-2400  6150 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese
2200-2400  7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Thai
2200-2400 11635 PAO 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Chinese
2200-2400 11700 TAI 300 kW / 300 deg to EaAs Chinese
2200-2400 11885 HUW 100 kW / 002 deg to JPN  Chinese
2300-2400  9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese
2300-2400  9685 TAI 100 kW / 300 deg to EaAs Chinese
2300-2400  9690 YFR 100 kW / 222 deg to CARB Spanish
2300-2400 15440 YFR 100 kW / 285 deg to CeAm Chinese
2330-2400 11655 TAI 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Vietnamese (DX RE MIX NEWS #762 from Georgi Bancov & Ivo Ivanov, Mon Jan. 7, 2013 via DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN [and non]. Another country off long wave? 252 kHz has been noted off for several weeks. They used to be heard around the clock here (150 kW at 500 miles). No sign of them day or night. Algeria 252 in French (750 kW night at 3,570 miles) weak but steady with a fade in around 1630, or 9:00 PM local. I will keep trying for most wanted Ireland (Brock Whaley, Kandahar, AFGHANISTAN, Jan 3,

dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also KOREA NORTH [non], RUSSIA [non]

4960.11, 1720-1810, 02.01, Voice of Russia, via Yangiyul. English talk to Central Asia, 1800 news, ex 4780, ex 4950 25332 (Anker Peterseen, Skovlunde, Denmark, on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

0700-1100 15745 DB  500 kW 155 deg to SoAS English (15745.2 Jan. 5) Yangi Yul Dushanbe 15745 checked today Jan 8 again, this 500 kW signal was again on odd frequency 15745.287 kHz. vy73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Jan 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST) cf RUSSIA, DX Mix schedule

** TANZANIA. TANZ¬NIA, 1377, R. ¡frica Livre, Mwanza, 2347-2355, 04/1, suaÌli, m˙sica pop'; 22441, QRM da Franca. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also ZANZIBAR

** TATARSTAN [non]. 11895, UNIDentified tx site. Tatarstan Wave from Kazan still on Radio Rossii service via shortwave domestically - probably from Moscow back to Central Russia area. Weak signal at 0410-0500 UT, left the air exact 0500:05 UT.

9410, 2nd programm of the day from Tatarstan Wave Kazan (Radio Rossii) started punctual at 0610 UT Jan 2.

TX from Moscow! site was on air very early around 0550 UT, S=9+30dB powerful in Moscow, so I guess is a local tx site (Taldom?) which took over service from Samara tx site now? (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 2, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

2/1: 11610, Tatarstan, 0830 political talks, S7 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. R. Thailand, 9720, 1245, 1/8, readable in English with ID by OM, "You're listening to R. Thailand." Into a mailbag program with YL (Mike Nikolich, N9OVQ, Lake Barrington, IL, NRD-515, Alpha-Delta Sloper and Isotron 60 Antennas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET. 6200, Xizang PBS via Lhasa, 1610-1635, Jan 5. In progress with the ìHoly Tibetî program in English; many IDs and entertaining program about Tibetan culture and tourism; fair-good; fairly readable even with slight accent. Four minute recording at https://www.box.com/s/dei6qjzju5w93hmpeufi
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA. 1/1: 4976, UBC Kampala, 2118 with song ëplease forgive meí S7 poor audio (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

4976, R. Uganda, Kampala, 1852-1937, 04/1, inglÍs, hinos,..., rubrica sobre economia e comÈrcio; 35433. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Community radio licensing on medium wave (AM) band

Ofcom is currently conducting a community radio licensing round. See http://licensing.ofcom.org.uk/radio-broadcast-licensing/community-radio/apply-for-licence/

The majority of community radio services licensed operate on FM, but in many parts of the UK there is a lack of suitable FM frequencies. Few applicants apply to broadcast in the medium wave (AM) band, but there are suitable AM frequencies available in most parts of the UK. (In particular please see Ofcomís Radio Broadcast Update for October 2012 with regard to 648 kHz http://licensing.ofcom.org.uk/radio-broadcast-licensing/monthly-updates/update1012 and Radio Broadcast Update for November 2012 which refers to two AM licences in London being surrendered: http://licensing.ofcom.org.uk/radio-broadcast-licensing/monthly-updates/update1112

Ofcom has decided to invite applications for community radio licences to operate on the medium wave (AM) band only, for locations anywhere throughout the UK, later this year. It is important to note that broadcasting on medium wave brings different technical, site and cost considerations, for example, from FM services. Applicants will need to address these and demonstrate a thorough understanding of requirements of broadcasting on medium wave in their application.

Ofcom is willing to consider licensing (daytime) coverage areas that are larger than is our usual policy for community services on FM (around a 5km radius), regardless of whether the service wishes to target an urban or rural area. Each applicant needs to consider who their target community is, and where it is, in order to justify the target area they require (as a guide, we are willing to consider licensing services of around a 10km radius or more, in daytime, subject to the availability of suitable frequencies).

This invitation will be in addition to the application areas set out in our timetable, and is not expected to impact on the estimated dates for inviting applications from the remaining regions referred to http://licensing.ofcom.org.uk/radio-broadcast-licensing/community-radio/apply-for-licence/timetable
We currently estimate that we will invite applications for services to

broadcast on the medium wave (AM) band in the second half of 2013. (via Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

** U K [non]. You said you didn't hear the full strike of Big Ben on BBCWS on SW when the new year arrived? Well I heard it on UT 1/1 at 00 with SIO 233 on 9740 via Singapore, only BBC frequency heard at my QTH (Joe Hanlon, NJ, Jan 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST) I said I didn`t even try

[Re 13-01, whether 9740 and 6195 relays would close at yearend? No]

6195 and 9740 are both loud and clear as usual at this location from first check around 1117 and past 1205 on 1 Jan. Regards (Alan Davies, Jakarta, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 1300 Jan 1 9740 was extremely faint into Houston, unlistenable. 6195 had faint flutter. Usually one of these would provide some reception into NA in the past. Is there still an alternative? Yes! 17830 via Ascension with a good signal at 1300 to past 1330 with news and World Briefing.

We all knew cuts were on the way, but I thought they would not take place until the start of A-13. I have a feeling that the 17830 frequency will be reduced as it is one of those "all day" broadcasts that the BBC has said it will eliminate (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, ibid.)

Re: [dxld] BBC DXMix --- Hi all, At least some of these theoretically abandoned times and frequencies seem to be false alarms:

Re DXMix News 761, U.K.(non) Cancelled frequencies of BBC from Jan.1: 0500-0800 on 17640 CYP 250 kW / 173 deg to ECAf English

Heard in Jo'burg, Jan 2, at 0515 and 0623. Usual fair-poor quality in our local early morning, so presumed no site change.

0700-1400 on 17640 SEY 250 kW / 270 deg to ECAf English

Heard in Jo'burg, Jan 2, at *0700??-0810. Usual fair-poor quality at start, so presumed no site change. Presumed to have started at *0700, but very well synchronised with Cyprus so not noticeable to a casual listener - or even, to be honest, to me. Noted a possible very slight increase in S-meter reading (it was so up and down anyway that it is hard to be sure) and a very slight reduction in fading. At this time of day (local early morning), // 6190 from Meyerton is much better, as usual. 17640 began to slowly improve after about 0800.

0800-1400 on 21470 SEY 250 kW / 240 deg to SoAf English

Heard in Jo'burg, Jan 2, at *0758-0810 with Bow Bells carillon, ID at 0759 "BBC World Service". News at 0800. Usual good quality, so presumed no site change. // 17640 Seychelles, but much better reception at this early morning hour. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7435 is very strong with perfect modulation at 0331 with BBCWS news in English. A pretty decent SW night. S9 + 10 signal. From Ascension, scheduled 03 to 04 UT. 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, UT Jan 5, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Of all the BBCWS signals still audible in Texas, 7435 Ascension at 03-04 is probably the best.

12015 Ascension works well at 04-05, while 15400 Meyerton has good level at 05-07. 7255 Ascension is an alternate between 03 and 06, but usually weaker than the other frequencies.

So there are still some late evening choices for us here in NA. Of course cuts are coming in A-13, so things might change (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, Jan 5, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The 0300 broadcast from Ascension is the best quality BBC broadcast I can pick up from South Carolina. I figure since that transmission is 110 degrees toward Africa, we are picking up the back-end which would be aimed at North America, although not on purpose (Pat Blakely, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, ibid.)

In an odd sort of way, things are returning full circle. The station that's getting easiest (using that as a wholly relative term) to hear on HF once again is (wait for it) the BBC World Service. It takes a day with better than average propagation conditions, but I've monitored them rather frequently as follows throughout the day from ECNA (both NY and FL):

21660 via Woofferton (1600-1800 UT)
21470 via Cyprus (fades in somewhere between 1400-1700 usually around 1600)
17830 via Ascension (1600-1800) [not often good]
17640 via Meyerton (1700-1900)
15400 via Ascension (as early as 1700-2100) [9410 (Seychelles) and 12095 (Cyprus) 1800-2100 sometimes on "good" days
12095 via Ascension (2100-2300)
9915 via Ascension (2100-2300)
7435 via Ascension (0300-0400) [9460 and 12035 (Seychelles) sometimes heard]
12015 via Meyerton (0400-0500) [12035 (Cyprus) and 12095 (Seychelles)

sometimes heard)
15400 via Meyerton (0500-0700)
9410 and 9460 via Ascension (0600-0700)

Not exactly armchair listening, but better than it has been in quite a while (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY and Sarasota, FL, Jan 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [non]. 15710, Jan 5 at 1359, good signal from B-B-C- chimes, opening in Farsi? No, must be Dari as kept mentioning Afghanistan. Yes, scheduled 14-15 Dari, 15-16 Pashto, 300 kW, 317 degrees from doomed Limassol, CYPRUS, per Aoki, which would explain the good signal way over here, but that azimuth can`t be right.

What does HFCC say? 317 degrees too! And the CIRAFs as 27 and 28 which are western Europe! So is BBC deliberately aiming these languages at Afghans back in Europe instead of Afghanistan? That seems a rather specialized minority audience to benefit from BBC SW coverage, denied to so many of the rest of us even in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BBC WS to Europe in Dari and Pashto --- This is the service that has been broadcast for quite some time, almost a decade I think, from Skelton on 6195, as I reported time and again, reconfirming that it's still on air. Besides Dari and Pashto it also contained a third hour, in Farsi.

So now moved to Zygi, together with the necessary frequency change, and with the Farsi hour being terminated. Which also means that the (still mostly failing?) CyBC transmission is during its last months not the only thing the Zygi site beams to Europe.

I have never seen any explanations for this service and its target audience. So I take this as another opportunity to ask if someone knows an insider who could comment on this, also the aspect that this weird service no longer offers Farsi but still Dari and Pashto? (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I didn`t mention or monitor it, but HFCC shows 15710 now has something else following at 1600 and really beamed in the proper direxion:
15710 1600 1630 41N,42SW CYP 300 101 0 186 1234567 281012 310313 D
17710 Hindi CYP BBC BAB 3229 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7348-SSB, approx. Jan 9 at 1531, as I tune in, ID as WGY908, concluding an informal MARS-like contact with someone ``until next Wednesday`` and ``back to scan``, i.e. digital noises. I didn`t have the frequency pinned exactly during the voice, and never heard any

more during the next semihour, just occasional digital bursts. I had previous logs of this in 2004y and 2009y as WGY908, FEMA regional HQ, Denver CO (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 13927-USB, Jan 6 at 1524, Allan Stern`s favorite MARS frequency, some military 2-way conversation is still audible, with heavy OTH radar QRM ranging 13918-13943, presumably from CYPRUS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non non]. PASSAGE OF NEW LAW ENHANCES OUR JOURNALISTS' REACH, IMPROVES THE AGENCY'S USE OF RESOURCES, INCREASES TRANSPARENCY, BBG says --- January 3, 2012

An Alhurra TV correspondent conducts interviews in Cairo. [caption]

Washington, DC - The Broadcasting Board of Governors today hailed a new law that updates one of the founding statutes of public diplomacy in the United States, a change that the Board has long supported and had incorporated into its strategic plan.

The defense authorization bill that the President signed last night includes a provision that reduces restrictions on the dissemination of materials within the United States that were originally intended for audiences overseas. This means that news and information programs produced by BBG journalists for people in more than 100 countries can also be made available for broadcast within the United States; many already are available worldwide via the Internet. The provision was originally known as the Smith-Mundt Modernization Act when it was first introduced in Congress in 2010 and re-introduced last year.

Presiding Governor Michael Lynton said the new law will allow the BBG to accept requests to provide its programs to organizations which, until now, it could not share them with, including U.S.-based broadcasters, publications, universities, non-governmental organizations, and others that have requested these materials over the years.

"This will enable more efficient use of agency resources, wider availability of our journalists' vital and informative work, and greater transparency as more people in this country come to know what U.S. international broadcasting is about," Lynton said.

The legislation updates the U.S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, a section of which prohibited the State Department and U.S. international broadcasting from disseminating within this country any program materials that have been produced using funds appropriated for public diplomacy. A subsequent amendment to the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 prohibited using such funds to

influence public opinion in the United States. These two provisions together are popularly known as Smith-Mundt, named after the primary Senate and House authors of the 1948 bill, who could not have anticipated the advent of the World Wide Web or dramatic shifts in the population of the United States, including large communities of people from other countries seeking information via a variety of media in their native languages.

"The new law is a major breakthrough for U.S. international media," said Susan McCue, a member of the BBG Board's Communications and Outreach Committee. "All Americans will now have access to the vital and informative reporting of our accomplished journalists around the world who are working under difficult circumstances in closed societies and developing countries. The news and programs they produce every day will benefit many US audiences, including diaspora communities."

The BBG has been expanding its programming options overseas as more media platforms become popular among its key target audiences - emphasizing broadcasting via radio and TV where they have the greatest impact, while ramping up digital outreach in places where audiences increasingly indicate a preference for receiving news through websites, blogs, mobile devices or other means. The new law allows this process to continue without regard to whether these programs might also be watched or heard by people within the United States, and expands the options for these programs' distribution.

The law makes no change to the BBG's enabling statute, the U.S. International Broadcasting Act of 1994, which does not authorize the agency to create new programs solely for U.S. audiences (BBG PR via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, Germany, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

REPEAL OF SMITH-MUNDT DOMESTIC DISSEMINATION BAN IS GOOD, UNLESS IT GOES OVER TO THE DARK SIDE. Posted: 03 Jan 2013

The widespread mistaken assumption is that the internet has obsoleted the domestic dissemination law. In fact, the internet has finally rendered it practicable. Through geoblocking, the content of USIB entities' websites could simply be made unavailable to US internet users. This, however, was never done. The most obvious way to observe the domestic dissemination ban was ignored. The new law, therefore, won't change much except to forestall any member of Congress or government lawyer from making mischief by calling for the old law to be enforced.

Claims that there have been impediments on the distribution of USIB content via the internet because such content could also be accessed via the internet in the United States are specious, for reasons cited

in the previous paragraph.

The BBG should have always been neutral about the "Smith-Mundt Modernization Act." Instead, it is "hailing" the new law, which signals that the BBG is adding the United States as its newest target country (as long as the content is intended for at least one other country). This should make many people very nervous.

The repeal is good, in that it allows the content of USIB to be used by US ethnic media. Immigrant communities can now get USIB news about their home countries in their native languages. In this way a valuable public service is provided at no extra cost to the US taxpayers.

Also, the repeal allows American access to the content of USIB without having to resort to the Freedom of Information Act. Although, as noted above, internet access to such content has not been impeded in the United States.

The repeal, however, could have its dark side. Language in the legislation notwithstanding, future administrations might be emboldened to borrow the facilities and talent of USIB for domestic information campaigns.

Furthermore, it is the goal of every bureaucracy to increase its budget every year, regardless of the broader public interest. USIB could well be tempted to disseminate more and more of its content within the United States as a way of nurturing domestic constituencies. The more resources that are devoted to such a purpose, the fewer that will be available for the real audience, beyond our borders.

Finally, US private media, if they ever notice this provision in a Defense authorization bill, should be concerned. More and more newspapers are going behind paywalls in a bid to remain solvent. Local news outlets must decide whether they can continue to afford to subscribe to news agencies.

If US international broadcasting were ever to be consolidated and unboondoggled, it could be a competitive news organization, not just internationally, but domestically. Why should an American pay for access to a newspaper website when the USIB website is free? Why should a small town newspaper in the Midwest pay for AP when it can reprint USIB stories?

The US private news media and the BBG need to have a parley about the division of their responsibilities, domestically and internationally. The International Broadcasting Act wisely prohibits USIB from competing with private US international broadcasting efforts. It is

fiscally prudent for US international broadcasting to be accomplished as much as possible by the private sector, at no cost to the taxpayers.

Fortunately, private US international media are expanding. Global English-language television news? CNN International. Spanish-language television news? CNN en EspaÒol. Global English news website? New York Times, CNN, Washington Post, and many others. Website in Arabic? CNN Arabic. Website in Chinese? New York Times and Wall Street Journal. Website in Portuguese? New York Times.

US government-funded international broadcasting should not duplicate and compete with US domestic media. On the contrary, they should cooperate as much as possible. This will be possible only if the latter is convinced that the former is truly and unambiguously in the news business (Kim Andrew Elliott, kimandrewelliott.com via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. At Voice of America, Complaints About Its Iranian Coverage --- a Persian-language service is accused of tailoring its programs to avoid offending the regime. The VOA denies it.
OPINION January 6, 2013, 6:10 p.m. ET By SOHRAB AHMARI

Seyed Hossein Mousavian, a former Iranian nuclear negotiator, said in a television interview aired recently in the Islamic Republic that the country "is in full compliance" with the International Atomic Energy Agency nuclear-safeguards agreement, and that there is "no evidence" the regime is diverting nuclear material for military purposes.

Both statements were deceptive at best: Iran isn't in compliance with all provisions of its current safeguards agreement, and the lack of evidence for diversion doesn't dispel the IAEA's concerns about nuclear-weapons research and development. Yet neither assertion was challenged by the on-air host.

Islamic Republic officials are accustomed to going unchallenged by Iranian journalists, who prefer to stay out of the regime's dungeons. But the interview with Mr. Mousavian appeared on "Ofogh" (Horizon), a television show produced by the Persian-language service of Voice of America, the U.S. government broadcaster founded in 1942 to provide "accurate, balanced, and comprehensive news" to "people living in closed and war-torn societies." VOA's Persian News Network, based in Washington, is funded by Congress and receives around $23 million in taxpayer money annually.

The "Ofogh" segment touched off a fierce reaction among Iranian viewers, who took to the show's Facebook page to vent their anger. "Like Iran's current leaders he is a master of sophistry," wrote one

about Mr. Mousavian. Other viewers directed their complaints at VOA. "Voice of America = The Islamic Republic," wrote another.

According to current and former employees at the network, the viewers' complaints are unlikely to register with executives. One high-level production staffer, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he is currently employed at the network, said the Mousavian interview fit a pattern of VOA's Persian-language division allowing itself to be bullied by regime mouthpieces. "Mousavian dictated the terms of the arrangement," the staffer said. "He would not agree to debate somebody else."

Critics also charge that VOA's Persian coverage is often distorted by an editorial line favoring rapprochement with the mullahs. There is "a clear slant in favor of Iran in terms of its involvement in terrorism," the current production staffer wrote in response to queries for this article. The network, he said, often refuses to air criticism of Iranian terror unless it is "balanced with the perspective of the Islamic Republic who vehemently [deny] any involvement." And because "no one in the Islamic Republic gives us interviews anyway," VOA Persian abandons otherwise informative segments about terrorism.

A former employee and on-screen personality summed up the network's nonconfrontational attitude by saying that VOA sees itself as providing "a bridge between Washington and Tehran."

VOA denies these claims. Spokesman Kyle King said in a written statement that the network "airs material about the Islamic Republic when it is newsworthy. Decisions are not contingent on Iranian officials being available for comment, and they are usually not."

Rob Sobhani, a former Georgetown University lecturer in U.S. foreign policy, says that VOA is uneasy with criticism of the Islamic Republic. Until a few years ago, Mr. Sobhani, a staunch critic of the regime, appeared weekly as a commentator on the Persian-language network. Iranians used to approach him in airports outside the Islamic Republic, he says, to thank him for "saying things we can never say in Iran."

But Mr. Sobhani found himself appearing far less frequently after 2009. "I was told I was too negative toward the regime," he said. Mr. King, the VOA spokesman, said Mr. Sobhani "has appeared on several VOA programs since 2009." He added that the network doesn't coach guests "to be negative or positive," nor does it "cherry-pick guests to promote a particular point of view."

VOA hasn't been without its bright spots. Most notably, it aired

"Parazit" (Static), a satirical news show that used irreverent, American-style humor to skewer the regime's misrule. "Parazit" proved enormously popular with audiences. The show's Facebook page, where new episodes were posted weekly after airing on the network, garnered over a million fans. Yet VOA pulled "Parazit" off the air early last year, leaving fans in the dark.

According to the production staffer critical of the network, VOA isn't particularly concerned about the popularity of its programming: "What it boils down to is that they don't attach a lot of significance to viewers' feedback. If a show is popular and has a big following in Iran and you lose that following by dropping the show, so be it. The money comes from Congress anyway."

Mr. Ahmari is an assistant books editor at the Journal.

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** U S A. 7305, Jan 4 at 1052, large open carrier and fitful tones on and off, atop Chinese CCI, no doubt Greenville B tuning up prior to the 1130 Vatican relay, and likely to go off again shortly before it`s closer to Pope-time, as IBB violates separation of church & state without a second thought, or indeed, a first one. We already outpointed how 7305 has Chicom collision in the mornings (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 15470/13755, VOA (Lampertheim/Pinheira) 1605+ 25 Dec. Idling around on '470 after KBC left, found VOA with "New Dynamic English" program with popping audio on 15470 and much better signal from Pinheira, sked 16-17 on 15470 & 16-18 on 13755 (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL600 + 4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 13580, GERMANY, VOA via Wertachtal 1455-1458* in listed Kurdish with abrupt sign off mid sentence. Also heard jamming underneath in the background which sounded similar to the Chinese propeller jammer, but not exactly the same).  Although the VOA signed off at 1458 the jammer continued for another min ute or so signing off at 1459  followed by a station sign on, too weak to ID language but with slightly undermodulated audio. Radio Cairo is listed in Albanian at 1500. Who is jamming the VOA Kurdish service? 1/5/13 (Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Steve, Are you sure the ``jamming`` isn`t just R. Cairo malfunxioning transmitter? I have heard this several times and that was my

conclusion. 73, (Glenn to Steve, via DXLD)

I heard the VOA carrier end at 1458 GMT. The jamming continued for over a minute after. Then the jamming ceased and a few seconds later Radio Cairo s/on. Since the VOA carriers plug was pulled over a minute before the jammer ceased, and since the jammer ceased right before Radio Cairo, the indication is that it was a jammer. Thoughts? (Steve Handler, ibid.)

Another thing to consider is when does the `jamming` start? If it is intentional jamming, it would be on from 1400, but I don`t think so -- only from later in the hour, as the warmup period of Cairo before its 1500 broadcast. I did tune past earlier in the hour today and heard only VOA Kurdish; did not note time. Previously the QRM sounded like an attempt to broadcast a tone test by Cairo, with extreme distortion. You might also note whether there is any carrier break and/or shift of exact frequency between the `jammer` and Radio Cairo start, 1459-1500 (Glenn to Steve, ibid.)

I think that either intentionally jamming or Radio Cairo QRM is possible. I think watching this for the coming days will field more clues either way (Handler, ibid.)

** U S A. 26110/FM, KOVR-TV studio relay, Sacramento CA; 1608-1625+, 9-Jan; local morning chit-chat/variety program; CW-31 spot; ad for Roseville (Sacramento 'burb) Lexus. Good with slightly muddy audio & occasional brief dropouts. They were not there at 1500. Last heard 12-Dec. Gone at 1812 recheck (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST) Or Stockton (gh)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1650 monitoring: confirmed on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB, UT Saturday January 5 at 0230. Next: UT Sunday 0500 on WTWW-1 5830; Sunday 0900, 1630, Monday 0530, Tuesday 1200, probably Thursday 0430 on WRMI 9955.

WORLD OF RADIO 1650 monitoring: UT Sunday 0500 on WTWW-1 5830: at first thought it was off the air, but monitoring outside with least noise level, I`m there, but quite weak. Yet, WTWW-2 on 5085 is inbooming. The MUF has a sharp cutoff between 5.1 and 5.8 MHz! Other Tennesseeans (I refuse to call them Vols), WWCR 5890 and 5935 are just as attenuated. I hope anyway, the `skip is long`, with 5830 still getting out further away: how was it on the west coast of North America, or Europe? Yet2, at 0608 recheck, 5830, along with 5890 and 5935 are back to usual very good level. Must have been hit by a propagation disturbance an hour earlier, then recovered. Such luck.

Remaining chances to hear WOR 1650 this week are via WRMI 9955: Mon

0530, Tue 1200, probably Thu 0430. Unknown yet whether HLR will make another Wednesday appearance, 7265-USB at 0630 & 1630 like the last biweek.

WORLD OF RADIO 1651 monitoring: confirmed first broadcast Thursday Jan 10 starting about 2159:50 on WTWW-1 9479. This shifted the interruption for houtrop canned ID ending with an explosion, to slightly later in the WOR billboard, obscuring some of the headline countries, before back to us intact for the rest of the semihour. Lately I have been completing recording only within the previous hour before this airtime, as I struggle to get caught up, plowing thru and arranging all the accumulated material, also to be in the next DX LISTENING DIGEST 13-02.

Further chances: UT Friday 0430v on WWRB 3195 (and last week 5050 was on too); UT Saturday 0230v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB; UT Sunday 0500 on WTWW-1 5830.

Also on WRMI 9955: Sat 0900, 1600, 1830; Sun 0900, 1630; Mon 0530; Tue 1200. On HLR 7265-USB Germany: Sat 0630 & 1630. On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat 1830. Full schedule at
http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 12105, Sunday Jan 6 at 1522, WTWW-3 is on today in Arabic, probably bad news again for R. Dialogue, clandestine from Madagascar to Zimbabwe on same at 16-17, but unchecked here then (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WTWW and BBCWS --- There are vast expanses of unoccupied space on the shortwave bands, but WTWW apparently has decided to use 9910 kHz during the 2100-2300 UT period that the BBCWS uses 9915. Obviously, this is not an optimal situation. I realize that 9915 does not target NA, but you would think that WTWW's frequency manager would realize that listeners in ECNA have been able to access BBCWS as a secondary audience and would politely steer clear of clogging the channel. Stateside shortwave stations have done this before. It seems... well... unchristian (John Figliozzi, now listening and DXing from Sarasota, FL, Jan 6, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

John, WTWW is really on 9905, not 9910. You must not be using your home receiver with good readout. Just reconfirmed. So not as bad as that. It`s safe to say that most US SW stations are more concerned with their own reception than with other stations`. WTWW was however, persuaded (by BBC itself?) to shift from 12100 to 12105 previously, further from 12095. 73, (Glenn to John, ibid.)

Well, that's a little embarrassing then, Glenn. Because I was using an

Eton E1 and that explains why I had a depressed sideband on the WTWW signal. I'm still in the process of setting things up, so was not as attentive as I should've been. The signal was overwhelming at this QTH (or at least over-wide), so much so that it rendered 9915 completely unusable with a fair amount of splash. Hence, I assumed it was just 5 kHz down. But you know what happens when one assumes. Happy New Year, Glenn (John Figliozzi, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WTWW on 5085 with "QSO" now --- WTWW is airing The QSO Radio Show, hosted by Mr. Ted Randall on 5085 at 0008 UT until carrier went to dead air! Does George know about this? Ted was interviewing a ham buff before the "dead air" at 0008 UT Monday, January 7, 2013 (Noble West, Clinton TN, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From date posted, this was not UT Monday but UT Tuesday January 8; anyhow unusual night for WTWW-2, probably test (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

They are on now at 0036 UT 1/8/13 with a good signal on 5085 (Pat Blakely, SC, ibid.)

** U S A. 9370, Sunday Jan 6 at 1415, no signal from WWRB, and not audible on night frequency 3185 either, which if still on is buried in daytime noise level. I want my Brother Scare! 1527 check, now 9370 is on but with defunct Alex Scourby`s pseudo-authoritative Bible readings as provided by TOM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WWRB is broadcasting some nice big band/instrumental music on 5050 kHz as of 0047. Warm up those old boatanchors and take a listen :) 73, (Jeramy Ross, OK, UT Jan 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5109.74, 0310-0320 29.12, WBCQ, Monticello, Maine. Jazz and applause, English ann by singer; only audible in USB and AM (Anker Peterseen, Skovlunde, Denmark, on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** U S A. Just curious, I remember a few years ago WRMI targeted the USA (well targeted Canada) at certain times. Any news if they are going to fix that transmitter again? Sad to say, WRMI targets south of the USA and with the Cubans jamming, it's impossible to listen to them in any acceptable quality. As Glenn would say, "thanks Arnie". (Pat Blakely, SC, Jan 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It`s not the transmitter but the NW-aimed antenna that needs fixing (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Glenn: Yes, it's the antenna that was causing problems with the transmitter. It's not out of the question that we might reactivate it again some day, but everything works so smoothly on the corner

reflector going south that we don't like to switch it back and forth; that's when the problems occur. And since frankly the market for airtime to North America is so slim these days, it just doesn't make sense for us to risk the problems of switching antennas once or twice a day. I guess we could use the same argument that all of the other stations are making these days that most listeners in North America can access our webcast, and the shortwave signal is more important for listeners in Latin America. I know that's simplistic and not always true, but it seems the best plan under the circumstances. And it may be because of the higher sunspot numbers, but we're finding in general much better reports of reception in North America than we did a few years ago, even from many listeners in Canada. Now the jamming, that's another problem (Jeff White, WRMI, Jan 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. Why don't foreign countries rent time on American transmitters? Seems to me, it's a no-brainer for some countries. For probably 50 bucks an hour (or they could even get the Brother Stair rate for less), they could rent an hour a day, at a cost of $22k or so a year at 50 bucks an hour. It seems the BBC or some others would jump on this. I know WRMI and WYFR relay foreign news services. Even a one hour a day broadcast would be very welcome (Pat Blakely, SC, Jan 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Don't forget about WHRI! They have Radio Nederland and Voice of Vietnam, both in Spanish for Latin America (Eduardo Peralta, ibid.)

Reality check: those stations have concluded there is essentially no significant SW audience for them in North America and any amount would be a waste of money (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A. WINB Red Lion, PA, was heard broadcasting in English on 13570 with "Wavescan" from AWR hosted by Jeff White, covering closedown of Croatia's shortwave service as they move to online media content platforms. A profile of The DW transmitting station was featured as well, with a strong 60 db signal! My hat`s off to WINB for carrying this program.

WINB is one of the oldest continuously run outlets currently on the air today. After Wavescan was station ID giving frequency, mailing address, url and email contact information. Good signal with some hash interference from possibly the computer on my table as I was recharging the radio batteries at that time. Wavesacan played two versions of a country's national anthem, again, strong signal. I might shoot for my first QSL from Wavescan heard on WINB! (Noble West, TN, 2007 UT Wed Jan 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7506.4, Jan 4 at 0332, WRNO with Deutsche Welle news in English, emphasis on Germany, good modulation and no het leading a lot

of listeners to believe that it`s really on announced ``7505``. 0334 cut to ``send money to WRNO`` promo, 0335 Pastor J P Jones, so tune out ASAP. Next check 0402, DW news again, ending with reference to their website! 0404 gospel huxter expecting the Last Days to be in 2026y; 0406 rock music. Apparently WRNO is using DW for newscasts only rather than full programs? I expect it`s free, and wonder if DW even knows about it, such involvement with a commercial/sectarian outlet (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7506.4, WRNO, 0428, Jan 9. Heard ID and request for generous donations so they can go from 3 hours a day of broadcasting to 24 hours (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 11550, Jan 7 at 1359-1401*, WEWN Spanish cuts bits of music on and off, then off the air abruptly, but this is not a frequency change time yet: 13830 is still occupied by IBB`s Afghan services, R. Azadi, and R. Ashna alternating Pashto & Dari until 1530. At 1413 recheck, WEWN is back up on 11550.

I haven`t mentioned it lately, but two of WEWN`s three transmitters remain grossly defective in 2013: the one in English, on 15610 in the daytime, continues to be accompanied by parasitic spurs at approx. 9 and 18 kHz above and below, sometimes even 27 when very strong. One of the Spanish transmitters, such as 12050 in the daytime, has a constant squeal which means it interferes more than it should with immediately adjacent frequencies. It`s been this way for years, and apparently no one cares but me, no other DX monitors bother to note it, nor do victimized stations such as Greece on 15630 make any effort to get WEWN into compliance (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 6970, WWCR, Nashville TN; 2132-2142+, 3-Jan; Mixing product from 13845 - 6875 = 6970. Main audio was Rev. Barbi // 13845 (also // 11775 via Anguilla); occasionally the English huxter on 6875 popped in. Mainly buried at QRN level, with occasional good peaks (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15825, WWCR Nashville TN; 1725-1730+, 1-Jan; Family Altar program from Roloff (sp?) Evangelistic Enterprises Inc. (tax payer?); 1728 Creation Moment -- apparently the existence of the well-digger fish is proof of God's existence -- didn't make a big deal out of the fact that the purpose of the "well" is so that the fish can hide and attack other God's critters. ID spot at BoH into The River of Living Waters huxter program. All in English. S20 peaks with co-channel -- suspect studio bleed as it also sounded huxteresque (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All

logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Please note this change in the B-2012 frequency schedule for WYFR: Effective 9 January 2012

Delete  5985 kHz  181 degrees 0000-0145 UTC Zones 11, 12
Add  6070 kHz  181 degrees 0000-0145 UTC Zones 11, 12
(Spanish) (WYFR, Brenda Constantino Jan 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Please don`t do this. 6070 is the only frequency of CFRX in Toronto, 1 kW, which has good coverage as long as no other stations are on it. It may not be in HFCC, but it exists. Even if you are beaming south, it will be no match for your signal around the continent. Thanks, (Glenn to WYFR, via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DXLD)

It has been brought to our attention that CFRX is on 6070 kHz, though unlisted and reportedly operating at only 1 kW. We will investigate this, and take whatever action seems appropriate. Best regards, (Dan Elyea, WYFR, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[later:] Thanks for the heads-up, Glenn. At 1 kW on shortwave, they can hardly be considered a serious broadcaster. However, in the interest of goodwill and being a good neighbor, we're looking at other options. Best regards, (Dan Elyea, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Please note this change in the B-2012 frequency schedule for WYFR: Effective (Calendar date, not UT date) 10 January 2013.

Delete 5985 kHz 181 degrees 0000-0145 UTC Zones 11, 12
Add  5945 kHz 181 degrees 0000-0145 UTC Zones 11, 12
(The language is Spanish) (WYFR, Brenda Constantino, Jan 10, WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. UNIDENTIFIED. 2800, 3920, 5040 --- I have one for you. Maybe this has been reported before. I haven't seen it yet.

Been hearing spurs on 2800, 3920, and 5040 lately. Mostly Christian Pop/Rock music. Call sounds like WCCA but not sure. Nothing on 560 and 1680 (possible fundaments of the spur multiples) seem to match. Fades out and fades in with sunrise and sunset, so not local. Here is a log for today.

2800, 3920, and 5040 were all // at 1002-1003 playing Christian Pop/Rock music. Heard mention of Jesus, "living water", and "holy, holy, holy" in lyrics at strong peak at 1013 on 2800. Oldies format after 1100 probably replay of "The Sounds of Joy" program (see below). 1105 caught "You've Got Your Troubles, I Got Mine" by the Fortunes, followed by another oldie, then a Peter and Gordon song, then one from

the 50's. 1121 "Chains" by The Cookies, then maybe Dean Martin. So they are playing secular music. 1126 announcement ending with phone 500(??)-943-9655, followed by promo/ID for "The Sounds of Joy" 50's and 60's music "each weeknight 10 PM till midnight" and call sounding like WCCA. The 2 middle letters are identical. (8 Jan.) Thanks for your help. 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, Jan 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Dave, Very interesting. It must be 560 rather than 1680 considering where you are hearing it. [5, 7 and 9 x 560].

In the NRC AM Log and FCC AM Query, the closest match to the calls is WCKL in Catskill NY. Wikipedia says it`s mostly off the air, fired up for a few days a year to keep license active. Format looks OK. But no specific program schedule, and the listen live doesn`t work.

http://familybroadcasting.net/

Please let me know of anything further about this. 73, (Glenn to Dave, via DXLD) Later: It`s definitely WCKL, on odd harmonics even up to 6160 as later reported by Kraig Krist (gh)

** U S A. [Re 13-01:] WHOíS ON 486 KHZ? WG2XFQ --- A mystery signal on 486 kHz has been heard at various locations around the world since Christmas. This was first brought to my attention by Sheldon Harvey. What follows is a collection of some of the detective work done to resolve the question and my findings. This station is rather unique. It turns out to be experimental. It is below the Broadcast Band and in the neighborhood of the historical 500 kHz frequency. Here is what the FCC has to say about it. Purpose:
http://tinyurl.com/d8ntc95
to demo historical radio events.
Antenna sketch:
http://tinyurl.com/cetlz5x
As they say in the TV infomercials, ìBut wait, thereís MOREÖî. And there is more on 486 to come. Stay tuned. Read on. Keep us informed. FESSENDEN REMEMBEREDÖSheldon just informs me that the station will repeat its Christmas offering by repeating it on New Yearís Eve and Day. Experimental permit, license
https://apps.fcc.gov/els/GetAtt.html?id=126417&x
(Jan CIDX Messenger via DXLD)

485.9/AM, WG2XFQ, Forest VA. - 0551 1/1 - Experimental 600 m limited edition "beacon" on the air commemorating Reginald Fessenden's first transmission of human speech and music. Weak AM carrier first noticed and finally faded up just enough to catch a faint ID given by a robo-voiced female. Christmas orchestral violin music followed, then back into a deep fade. 20 W ERP from a homebrew 1920s era transmitter. More info here including pics of the transmitter:

http://w4dex.com/500khz/wd2xsh31.htm,
http://www.w4dex.com/500khz/wf9xih.htm
(Tim Tromp, Muskegon MI, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

** U S A. KKDA-730 the mass appeal solid gold soul station licensed to Grand Prairie TX has switched to Korean. Sad, it was a good music source on AM. You have probably snagged it on occasion (Jerry Kiefer, Dallas TX, Jan 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

THE DEATH OF A RADIO STATION

To me, radio stations are like people we invite in our cars, homes, and offices. We don`t want them to change too much and we want them around forever. But unfortunately that doesn`t apply in the radio business. At the end of 2012, the owner of Soul 73 KKDA, Service Broadcasting, completed the sale of the station to a private company and as this month the new owners switched formats to a Korean language format. . .
http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2013/01/03/the-death-of-a-radio-station/
(via Yimber Gaviria, DXLD)

Controversy --- The recent sale and format change on KKDA-AM has stirred a lot of negative criticism with the station's loyal listeners in the African American community. Dallas City Councilman Dwaine Caraway, who regularly listened to Willis Johnson's morning show on KKDA-AM, says ìThis is stripping the voice. I have no problems with Koreans at all, but as it relates to African Americans, this man made millions and to say nothing to us at all?", indicating the loss of Soul 730 has silenced a powerful voice. While Service Broadcasting keeps its profitable FM Hip-Hop counterpart (K104), that does not appease everyone. [5] SOURCE: Wikipedia
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/KKDA_(AM)
Website: http://www.soul730.com/
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia https://twitter.com/Nxdelaradio DXLD)

** U S A. 1000, Jan 5 at 1330 UT, easily in KTOK null, New Mexico`s KKIM with several IDs in passing, ``welcome to Haley`s Comments``, hee hee, not only on 1000 but livekkim.com he says over the 10 kW daytime transmitter operating illegally, January official FCC sunrise being 1415 UT.

Tried http://kkim.com but that goes to a genealogy (?) site squatter, and KKIM is really http://mykkim.com Yes, program grid shows `Frank Haley`s Comments`, Sat 6:30-7 am MT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also OKLAHOMA: KTOK

** U S A. [Re gh logs of KXXT]: A couple notes, 1010 in Phoenix has about 40 kW in the lobe heading to the east, not real good about

lowering power (Jerry Kiefer, Dallas TX, ex-KCKN 1020 Roswell NM, Jan 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Las Vegas format change?

1140, KNWQ, CA, Palm Springs Jan 8, 0804 (MST [1504 UT). Very very strong signal, wrapping up news, announcer IDing station as "K-NEWS 94-three". A disturbing trend I have noted in recent months, AM stations dropping their AM identification, mentioning only the FM frequency (dropping the AM transmission to follow - - - ?).

1140, KYDZ, NV, Las Vegas Jan 8, 0840 (local MST [1540 UT). Male announcer rising up out of jumble "This is the all new CBS Sports Radio on AM 11-40, Las Vegas". This had been the kiddie-popper KYDZ with its quasi Radio Disney format. Also I should note it has only been over the past week I have noted these "CBS Sports" IDs up and down the band. This is a new network, maybe replacing either Yahoo Sports or ESPN radio. I have noted this change to "CBS" on 680 KNBR (CA) and it's // on 1050, KTCT. 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, Hammarlund HQ-120X, Slinky, ABDX via DXLD)

CBS Sports Radio started up January 2nd, but it is its own entity -- Yahoo Sports (formerly known as "Sporting News Radio") , ESPN Radio, and Fox Sports Radio are all still very much alive. So it's conceivable that all four could be active in a market that's large enough. I think there are four all-sports stations in Chicago, for example. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska, ibid.)

It's worse than that - there's also NBC Sports Radio, which launched in mid-2012 as its own separate entity. So at least for now, there are FIVE sports networks all battling it out.

Because it launched with the considerable syndication power of Cumulus Media behind it, CBSSR has a fairly substantial affiliate base already. All of the ESPN affiliates owned by Cumulus (47 of them, I believe) flipped from ESPN Radio to CBS Sports Radio as of Jan. 2.

There's an affiliate list at http://cbssports.radio.com but beware - it includes not only full-time CBSSR affiliates but also 100+ stations that carry only Jim Rome, who moved from Premiere/Fox Sports Radio to CBSSR but continues to be heard on some of his former affiliates even though they may be with other networks the rest of the day. The list also includes the big-city stations CBS owns that continue to do mostly local sports (WFAN, WBZ-FM, KDKA-FM, WIP-FM, WSCR, etc.) but also carry CBSSR's network sports updates and some overnight/weekend shows. s (Scott Fybush, ibid.)

** U S A. 1190, MISSOURI, KQQZ, Desoto. 1206 UT January 1, 2013. Love

this station on the brief post-sunrise and post-sunset receptions. Great Old School C&W with ìSwinginí Doorsî by Tony Toliver; ìWhatís Going On In Your Worldî by George Strait; female canned ìKiller [K]ountry KQQZî into ìSnowbirdî by Anne Murray; ìOn the Road Againî Willie Nelson; ìIíve Got A Tiger By the Tailî Buck Owens. Faded out by 1232 (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, Pile of junk used: JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Hammarlund HQ-180A; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phase; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1220, WHKW Cleveland OH; 2200-2231+, 29-Dec; AM 12-20 The Word; "opinions expressed" disclaimer before & after religious program with Rev. Peacock of the New Jericho Baptist Church -- don't recall ever hearing an opinion disclaimer for a religious program (What! You mean it's not all proven fact?) Pearls of wisdom heard included; "Jesus is the reason for the season" & "God made man to rule". WHKWradio.com spot at BoH. Mainly on top but challenged at times by Rush Limbaugh, Spanish, nostalgia & 2nd gospel station. LSB helps with evil IBOsssss. Heard at 0106, 30-Dec with AHL Lake Erie Monsters hockey game (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Detroit radio "news" --- Dear Glenn, I thought you might like to know some news on the AM radio dial here in Detroit.

1270 AM just switched from talk to CBS Sports Radio. It was pretty unceremonious, with the Talk Radio Network and the CBS Sports Radio feed being superimposed on each other during a commercial break in the Rusty Humphries program, then the Talk Radio Network feed was turned off and the CBS Sports feed was there by itself. Good for our DXing friends in Scandinavia who might want to hear Detroit Red Wings hockey games again! I didn't think to record it so I don't have any audio of this.

Secondly, 1310 AM recently went off the air. Owned by Clear Channel, its final moments were simply interrupting the feed of the Stephanie Miller Show to play part of a "Keener 13" podcast (WDTW AM used to be WKNR, those call letters now had by a sports station in Cleveland). Please consult this link for a description of it from someone who isn't me:
http://www.mibuzzboard.com/phpBB3/viewtopic.php?f=3&t=36501&sid=86b3f560ea79035e3edd8f6e20398331#p449153

Thank you for reading this, and have a good night (April Yamane, MI, Jan 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 1270 still called WXYT? NÈ WXYZ when it

was ABC (gh, DXLD)

WDTW-1310 ---- > As you already know, WDTW-1310 Dearborn, MI ceased operations on 1 January. I went past the transmitter site today and noted that all six towers are now down! Sure looked weird with those six towers missing there. They really wasted no time in getting those taken down; I'd have loved to have seen them coming down! So, it looks like 1310's going to be off for the foreseeable future, anyway (Eric Berger, Carleton, MI, Jan 7, ABDX via DXLD)

What a "generous" ; tax-write-off from CCME. They give somebody the license and transmitter, then hack-down all their towers and sell the antenna farm; now you're left with a highly directional station and a very unlikely chance of finding a station to diplex with, or be able to build new towers for an AM. It also got a moderate/liberal radio station off of the CCME list at the same time! ("toledohamradio" ibid.)

Down and out --- WDTW AM 1310 Dearborn/Detroit has gone silent and now its towers have been brought down. Watch the action at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1gskUrvJKT4
(Harry van Vugt, Windsor, Ontario, Jan 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

See also the comments, including link to some stills of the wreckage:
https://picasaweb.google.com/JoeKirklin/WDTWAMDemolition?
authuser=0&feat=directlink
(gh, DXLD)

Detroit's Keener 13 towers come down
Radio towers come down at Telegraph and I-94 --- Video, too.
http://www.thenewsherald.com/articles/2013/01/09/news/
doc50ec753f0810e062371222.txt
(Blaine Thompson, ABDX via DXLD)

The towers looked tall, at least taller than 90 degrees. Any ideas on how tall they were? JL (Jerry Lenamon, Waco, ibid.)

** U S A. 1530, Jan 4 at 1005 UT, ``1530 The Light, and KLBW1530.com`` then religious song. Guess what, this is a daytimer per NRC AM Log, 2.5 kW in New Boston TX, which is in the far NE corner just outside Texarkana. And it`s more than 3 hours before January FCC sunrise at 1315 UT! It does have a PSRA of 6 watts in January, but that doesn`t start until 6 am = 1200 UT! Also in the FCC Correspondence File is a $1500 forfeiture by the previous licensee for failing to renew on time. Now how about a fine for running daytime at night?

Checking their website, it forwards to http://klbw1530.weebly.com/ and is rather spartan with an emphasis on southern gospel music. Do they

account for operating illegally at night? Well, their on-air staff http://klbw1530.weebly.com/on-air-staff.html gallery includes Ed Evans at 12-5 am, but they could always claim that was just for webcast, accidentally on the real air; and nothing about an FM translator (Glenn Hauser, OK, FRG-7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1550, Jan 9 at 0634 UT, ``more of your favorite music coming up on Cool (Kool?) 107.5``; loops E/W, instead of boring Branson TIS. Another AM station which doesn`t even recognize its own frequency, and to make it worse, the FM tail wagging this dog is nothing but a translator, for it must be KRKE Albuquerque, not listed as such in NRC AM Log 2012 since the swap with KIVA 1600 occurred shortly after it went to press. The ex-1600 entry for KRKE says: 24h // K298BK, 107.5, ``Real Oldies,`` ``The New Cool``, close enough (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Parallel stations WTDY 1670 AM Madison WI & WTDY-FM 106.7 Mount Horeb WI have changed calls to WOZN & WOZN-FM respectively. Both had been playing Christmas songs since 11/21 the day before Thanksgiving, when station management abruptly fired the staff of the then newstalk stations and switched to the holiday music. Speculation began almost immediately that the new post-holiday format would be sports talk from the CBS Sports Radio network and the WOZN calls were requested (as of today the FCC Query sites still have WTDY as their calls).

I first noted that the new calls were in place on Friday 12/28. The day previous the station was still carrying Christmas music and using the WTDY calls. The station is currently stunting, playing only two heavy metal songs and doing it over & over & over again -- Guns & Roses` Welcome to the Jungle & Metallica, Wherever I may Roam. Both seem to be references to Jim Rome whose sports talk show is moving to CBS Sports Radio -- Welcome to the Jungle is his bumper music and show theme & "Roam" is another way to spell Rome. The only other programming is the obligatory ToH legal ID, presented once an hour -- no off-hour IDs and no messages as to future format.

My guess is that local listeners will have to put up with this until 1/2/13, the date that CBS Sports Radio begins a full 24/7 schedule. Also, we probably will start hearing the speculated station slogan "The Zone" then. I will keep these lists posted as to when these changes happen. 73 (Bill Dvorak, Madison WI via Niel Wolfish [w/minor editing.-ed.], MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

Heavy Metal Rock on 1670 kHz --- Hi All, Does anyone know who might be playing heavy metal rock on 1670kHz? Radio-Locator says there are only 4 stations in the U.S. on 1670. The one in middle GA is sports. There is a WTDY in Madison, WI on 1670 but it is supposed to be News/Talk?

Two stations in CA, one listed as Sports and the other Spanish. It seems unusual to hear continuous heavy metal rock in the AM band. I would guess this may be a simulcast with an FM rock station? My best guess would be the one in Madison, WI. Very deep fades just hearing bits and pieces of it here in SC Sunday evening. Not able to hear an ID so far. 73 - (Todd WD4NGG Roberts, Dec 30, ABDX via DXLD)

Todd, It's Madison, now known as WOZN. The songs you're hearing are "Welcome to the Jungle" by Guns 'N' Roses and "Wherever I May Roam" by Metallica, both references to sports/talk show host Jim Rome, whose new show on CBS Sports Radio begins this Wednesday. WOZN is, by all appearances, making the format switch in conjunction with this. Dunno what other programs from CBS Sports Radio WOZN will have in the lineup, but Rome is the main draw (or, at least, he was for years on Premiere). That will put a 2nd all-sports station on AM in the Madison market (WTSO "The Big 1070" is the other). 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska, ibid.)

Hi Rick, Thanks much for the ID as WOZN, Madison, WI. I was starting to wonder what was going on as I heard them play "Welcome To The Jungle" at least 2 or 3 times and the same with Metallica? I guess this is their "intermission" between formats! I think it would be more fun to just keep playing Heavy Metal on AM! Thanks again! 73 - (Todd WD4NGG, ibid.)

1670, Jan 4 at 1003 UT, ``All new CBS Sports Radio Network``, and its Twitter handle; NFL talkshow phone-inner, to 855-212-4-CBS. As widely reported, this is the new format of WOZN, Madison WI, after stunting with rock music, and before that Xmas music, ex-WTDY news/talk. Didn`t we have too many sports networks already? I expect with the CBS brand, they have already lined up a formidable network of other stations (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also 1140 entry above: CBS

** U S A. EMERGENCY RESPONDERS ASK FCC TO EXPAND BROADCASTS
By BROOKS BOLIEK | 1/8/13 9:30 PM EST

The devastation caused by Hurricane Sandy and the shooting in Newtown, Conn., are renewing a push by emergency responders to expand a low-power AM radio service used to give travelers traffic information.

From California to New Jersey, public-safety officials are urging the Federal Communications Commission to allow them to expand the information they can broadcast on the stations beyond congestion and traffic issues that are the staple of the service.

ìPrior to and during emergency situations like superstorm Sandy and the Newtown, Conn., school shootings, TIS outlets need the utmost

leeway broadly to broadcast information to protect life and property,î explained Frank Jazzo, an attorney for the American Association of Information Radio Operators, which represents Travelersí Information Service operators. According to letters from public-safety officials, the service is underused.

ìPlease re-craft the content rules to specifically state that weather forecasts, warnings, [National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration] rebroadcasts and emergency preparedness information can be broadcast at any time, before, during and after a disaster ó as a means of mitigating loss of life and damage to property,î wrote David Kircher, emergency management coordinator for the borough of Manasquan, N.J.

The New Jersey public-safety officials contend that during Sandy, their 10-watt station was the only reliable way they could distribute information when the cable, wireline and wireless telephone infrastructure went out.

ìThe only way Lyndhurst and surrounding communities were able to get the proper emergency information and post storm information was, on our AM Alert Radio Station, on 1700 KHz,î wrote Paul Haggerty, deputy coordinator lieutenant of the Lyndhurst fire department. ìIt took utility companies two weeks to restore these services. The older technology is more guaranteed to work than our newest technology today.î

Read more:
http://www.politico.com/story/2013/01/emergency-responders-ask-fcc-to-expand-broadcasts-85913.html#ixzz2HjVP1rTh
(via Benn Kobb, DXLD)

** U S A. 1710, The Big Q with oldies pop rock stuff, including an ID at :18 (9:30 into the recording) as ìThe Big Qî and slogan ìJust enough power to rock your socks offî. Sloppy with another station on channel competing with them, but the ID was clear. Anyone have a rough idea of where this is from? Chicagoland? Elsewhere? 0605-0620 1/Jan -- Zichi MI2

1710, The Big Q recheck in even better than before SINPO 4453+3+ with Summertime Blues, ID & slogans at :13 into a bigband/Bing Crosby sounding New Yearís tune. 0708-0714 1/Jan (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

1710, The Big Q - 0557-1000 - 1/1 - Signed on with a huge carrier at 0057 into oldies & New Year's Eve themed show. Frequent IDs and jingles between songs. DJ Michael Jay O'Brien filling in for The Midnight Man. Mentioned several loyal listeners with hello's to Tim, Todd, Rob & Fred, Paul & Our Philco Guy & George (are you reading this

Robert Ross?).  Strong signal with occasional fades (Tim Tromp, Muskegon MI, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

** U S A. HUELL HOWSER DEAD: BELOVED CALIFORNIA TV BROADCASTER DIES AT 67 --- The Huffington Post  |  By Anna Almendrala  Posted: 01/07/2013 3:50 pm EST  |  Updated: 01/08/2013 12:25 pm EST http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/01/07/huell-howser-dead-beloved_n_2426682.html (via Dale Park, HI, DXLD) obit

** UZBEKISTAN. 6070, Vatican Radio via Tashkent Muslim country Uzbekistan relay site. In Russian language on ear-piercing loud level, nice modulation. Requested 1330-1400 UT on hfcc database. Logged on Russia remote rx (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 8, DXLD)

** VATICAN. At 1105 found Joseph Ratzinger speaking rather weak on 6075, noticeably stronger on 7250 and strongest on 9645. 11740 has fast fading. The others (15595, 17590, 21680) are faint backscatter traces here only.

What struck me was the sharp audio processing on 9645 only. I never heard Santa Maria di Galeria employing that before, so it seems to be a recent change they made at this facility, maybe related to running transmissions for the IBB? (Kai Ludwig, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non] 7250, Sat Jan 5 at 0604, VR is already on in Scandinavian, only poor signal tonite, and nothing yet on 3975, 6075 or 9645, which all join in at 0630 for Latin mass. My guess is Swedish rather than a related language, but WRTH 2013 shows totally different Finnish on Sat & Mon, other days Swedish, and since latest cutbax, both supposed to be on MW 1260 only at 0600-0620. Recheck at 0620, it`s changed to Albanian, scheduled daily on 1260 only.

Several previous nites, 7250 was not on much before 0630, but as per my earlier reports has occasionally come on by 0615 or so. Hard to know if this is slipshod warming up or something deliberate to return Nordic and Illyrian languages to SW, perhaps without the Pope`s permission. And what became of Norwegian, or even Danish? In 1980, Sweden was 1.4% Catholic, probably even less now, so lucky that VR pays any attention at all.

7250, Jan 8 at 0618, poor signal in Swedish from Vatican Radio, 0619 IS thrice, 0620 ``Laudetur Iesus Christus; ju flet Radio Vatikana``, i.e. Albanian. Once again these two services are back on SW, tho per own schedules supposed to have been banished to MW 1260 only. Anyhow, Tuesday is reconfirmed as a day the 0600 broadcast is in Swedish instead of Finnish. 7250 has only poor signal today, and the MUF has plunged below 9 MHz. Did not check //s until 0631 in multilangs

preceding Latin mass, and now 3975 has the best signal from Europe on any band, slightly better than 6075; even better than Romania English on 7310.

7250, Wed Jan 9 at 0619, VR is already on with IS between Scandinavian and Albanian, but no signals yet on 3975 or 6075. Thu Jan 10 at 0613, nothing on 7250 so put an offset BFO on a receiver to notify me when the carrier would come on this time: *0628:20, off a few sex, and then back on to stay, with 0630 Latin mass. You never know whether this will start at 0600 or not, but schedule says from 0630 only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also BELARUS

** VIETNAM. 7216.493, odd frequency of nominal 7220 kHz Voice of Vietnam Son Tay site, towards FarEastNorthern Asia at 27 degrees. Noted Russian at 1150 UT, in Ch/Ru scs from 1100-1330 UT slot. (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

1/1, 7216.55 from Vietnam (shifted from 7220) with program in English, checked with DE1126 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) no time given

9839.871, Voice of Vietnam fair with sidelobe signal of English towards South East Asia noted at 1245 UT Jan 8. S=5-6 tiny poor signal (Wolfgang B¸schel, Jan 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD) So it`s still far enough off for audible het (gh, DXLD)

** VIETNAM [and non]. PHILIPPINES, 9919.989, FEBC Manila Bocaue in Koho Vietnamese language.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Koho_language
male voice talk, S=8-9 fair signal in Tokyo. But underneath strong Vietnamese SIREN type jamming noise, scheduled 11-13 UT in seven Vietnamese mountain tribe languages, different schedule on weekdays (Wolfgang B¸schel, Jan 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DXLD)

** WALES. Radio Cymru hit by dispute over music rights --- Radio Cymru has lost the rights to play much Welsh-language pop and rock. Broadcasting hours have been cut back to 0630-2300.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-20878895
(via Chris Greenway, Jan 1, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. CLANDESTINAS, 1550, Frente POLISARIO, Rabouni, ArgÈlia, 1207-1240, 04/1, castelhano, notÌcias, m˙sica, texto; 35443. O segmento nesta lÌngua parece ter vindo a sofrer um alargamento progressivo comparativamente ao hor·rio inicial (1215-1300*). A emiss„o vespertina comeÁa ‡s 1700, com o hino, passando logo para a oraÁ„o cor‚nica, atÈ cerca das 1715v, hora a que comeÁa o programa de 45 minutos em castelhano, passando depois para ·rabe, atÈ ao fecho, ‡s 2330. J· agora, acrescento que o inÌcio da emiss„o

matutina È ‡s 0700. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** YEMEN. 6135.0, Yemen Radio (tentative), 1453-1501*, Jan 6. A very nice surprise to find this here! No hint of the usual R. Madagasikara; reciting from the Qurían; in Arabic and clearly playing Middle Eastern music. Was it just unusual propagation today that allowed me to hear this and not Madagascar? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST

6135.0, Yemen Radio (presumed). Regarding my reception yesterday ñ received this encouraging response from Martien Groot (Netherlands):

ìI check 6135 almost every afternoon hoping Sana'a might be off for a few days (they sometimes are). Sana'a noted here yesterday, Jan 6, to 1501:20 off, no trace MDG. I strongly suspect you did hear Yemen!î

Thanks Martien! Heard again Jan 7 with no hint of Madagascar. 1416 to 1447 non-stop chatting in Arabic; reciting from the Qurían; Moslem call-to-prayer for the evening prayer (Maghrib); Middle Eastern music; off a few seconds before 1500; poor. Has been many years since I last heard this one! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6135.000 Distorted signal of ALH Al-Hiswah SW site
12 49'43.63"N 44 54'11.54"E
http://goo.gl/maps/VTHfD
bad feeder line, a lot of short half-second breaks in between.
Male Arabic singer at 1340 Ut Jan 8 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZAMBIA. On Jan 7, 0300-0317, good signal into Jo'burg from Zambia ZNBC1 on 5915, but nothing at all heard from ZNBC2 on 6165. There is something unreadable in probable English on 6165, presumed Radio Habana Cuba to Central North America (EiBi). Seems ZNBC2 is off air this morning, at least as of 0317. Jo'burg sunrise 0323. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On 6th Jan, 2135 UT ZNBC 1 on 5915 was clear in India, 6165 kHz for last few days only Chad with noise / flutters (Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, W.B., India, ibid.)

Zambia AWOL --- Hi everyone, Both of the Zambias (ZNBC1 on 5915 and ZNBC2 on 6165) are off air tonight, Jan 10, at least as of 1745-1803. Both AWOL. Jo'burg sunset 1705. At a later check, 1828-1831, ZNBC1 on 5915 is back on air in Nyanja. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, ibid.)

Hi Bill, Back on Jan 7 noted 5915 with *0240 with the African Fish

Eagle IS; had moderate QRM from UNID station underneath. Later on 6165 from 0423 to 0430 heard Hi-Life music; by 0430 could tell it was in French; so must have been Chad; no sign of Zambia (just Cuba). (Ron Howard, California, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZAMBIA. 13590, 1 Africa (Lusaka), unheard 24-31 Dec. during various chex at 1530+. The 1 Africa/CVC website shows only FM/Internet "affiliates", no mention of SW, so possibly they pulled the plug on SWBC a week or so earlier than planned (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL600 + 4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST) So seems

** ZANZIBAR. TANZANIA: 11735, Zanzibar BC (presumed); 2035-2043:20*, 1-Jan; M in unknown language with Arabish music. Off abruptly in mid-tune. SIO=353- (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. Zanzibar 11735 kHz s/off at 1715 UT --- Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation 11735 kHz. Local quality signals these days from 1600 UT onwards. On 2nd Jan it signed off at 1715. Ending with instrumental music which is distinctly not African rather more Arabian. Swahili talk identifies the station as "ZBC". On some previous days I am sure I noted them past 1730 (Supratik Sanatani, Kolkata, India, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ZBC 11735 kHz s/on abruptly at 1518 UT with SIO 555 with traditional Arab style music onto phone in program in Swahili with plenty of greetings "salaam walekum". Equally abrupt s/off at 1640. This erratic time schedule has been going on for some time now (Supratik Sanatani, Kolkata, India, 3rd Jan 2013, ibid.)

11735, TANZANIA, ZBC Radio 2041 Swahili, Afro tunes, 2045-2048 possibly a news update by man. There were a number of very brief moments when transmitter went off, 2056:30 audio off for a few seconds then back till 2058:30 when transmitter turned off mid-song. Very good Jan 5 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1651, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Jan 9 had the best ever reception for Zanzibar on 6015 with checking from *0256 through to 0420; all in the usual format (Ron Howard, California, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. 6045, 03/01 0217, RADIO ZIMBABWE, MX AFRO 32323C (Ivanildo GonÁalves Dantas, Jan 5, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

So they are running this frequency all-night, not 4828? (gh, DXLD)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. 12105, WTWW/Radio Dialogue 1530+, 1605+ 31 Dec., 1 Jan. 'TWW in Arabic, Monday & Tuesday this week with RD left muttering in the background post-1600; pfui (Dan Sheedy, Encinitas, CA PL600 +4m X-wire, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Since SW from Europe was subpar in MUF, I was a bit surprised to find a het on 549 as I started DXing MW at 0649 UT Jan 8, but then detected many more trans-Atlantic carriers at this somewhat late hour, not so late for midwinter; in stepping up 9 kHz on the DX-398 with internal antenna only, generally looping NE/SW, with slightly offset BFO in USB or LSB modes, so the typical het pitches could be easily spotted thru 0654 UT, found:

549, 612, 675, 684, 693, 747, 882, 909, 1035, 1053, 1089, 1143, 1152, 1206, 1215, 1224, 1305, 1314, 1413, 1557, 1584, 1602. Maybe this was not so surprising considering how well VATICAN was doing on 3975.

Trans-Atlantic carrier scan performed Jan 10 at 0624-0630 after hearing a tell-tale het from 909 as I tuned to 910 kHz, put in order here, not the order I heard them: 531, 684, 693, 711, 909, 945, 1044, 1053, 1089, 1206, 1215 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Further on the extremely distorted signal we have been hearing for a long time on 800 kHz:

``Hi Glenn: In regards to the UNID 800, the distorted signal is very strong in Austin, Texas. The signal is audible throughout the nighttime hours at very strong levels. DFing the signal (with Drake R8B and ferrite loop) indicates a null at 210 degrees. This station has been audible for many months. Regards, Mike Beu, KD5DSQ, Austin, Texas``

Tnx, Michael, I guess you mean the peak was at 210 degrees based on nulling plus/minus 90 degrees from that.

With protractor on a good atlas page showing both TX and Mexico, and the two cities in question, Zaragoza, Coahuila, XEZR is just SW of Piedras Negras, at 235 degrees from you, and Montemorelos NL, XEDD is 198 degrees. Would the latter be within the margin of error?

Do you hear it at all in the daytime? Groundwave should be pretty good down there. If not, possibly it`s from further into Mexico beyond the border states.

There are three other possibilities in the general direxion: QuerÈtaro, XEGX at 205 degrees; Ocotl·n, Jalisco, XEAN at 200 degrees, and furthest Tlapa, Guerrero, XEZV at 184. All approximate.

From Enid, I measure Ocotl·n at 195 degrees, = my recent approximation for the blob, but Zaragoza is very close at 197 degrees, so XEZR is the best bet from my POV.

This is all on a flat map with protractor. I haven`t gone to the trouble of using bearing and distance computation sites yet, as my margin of error is probably still too great.

If someone around Houston or El Paso {only if XEROK should be off!} could get a fix on it, we could triangulate it better. Or someone inside MÈxico.

For those who haven`t been following this mystery, I remind that there are NO Texans on 800, except KDDD way up in the NW corner at Dumas, out of the question. The nearest US station in the other direxion is WSHO New Orleans (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1217.8, Unknown; 1552-1600+, 30-Dec; Fairly strong sig hetting against 1220. Occasionally sounded like Chinese crash & bang music! Checked at 1845; still there but much weaker & down to 1217.5 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 2729, Jan 4 at 0959 UT, open carrier I hope will turn into a third harmonic of 910 about to sign on, until I measure it off the side from 2730; and OC continues past 1000. Some utility on AM? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5821 to 5843 kHz at 2110 UT, UNid bubble jamming broadband, seemingly from North Korea D.P.R. against 5835 kHz VOA Korean via Tinang-PHL scheduled 19-21 UT, but jammer worked overtime tonight/their morning (Wolfgang B¸schel, Dec 30, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 5 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Terrible WTWW 5830 scratchy signal audio 0545 UT Jan 2, S=8 in Germany --- What's wrong there? Scratchy signal on 5829 to 5834 kHz. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, 0549 UT Jan 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Didn't originate from fundamental WTWW, but something Cuban jamming or jamming-sounded ute signal on upper flank in 5829 to 5834 kHz range. 73 wb (B¸schel, 1505 UT Jan 2, ibid.) These two same? (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. BTW I have noticed a new version of the propeller jammer in use. The sound of the propeller jammer is identical to the Chinese version but without DF or a possible target I am not sure as to the source of this broadcast. The difference was that this jammer has a much wider bandwidth than the Chinese propeller jammer heard previously. It was a full 15 kHz wide covering 15990 through 16005

kHz. I am not sure if it was testing or targeted but no other station was heard underneath. I can't find any target that uses 15990 through 16005 so my thought was that this may have been a test. I have not heard it before nor since. Reception was at 1441 on Jan. 5, 2013 with a strong signal. Thoughts? (Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Without having heard it, I would suspect this noise is a form of OTH radar, not jamming. Are you ruling that out? Certainly no broadcasters around there, except for the possibility of Sound of Hope showing up anywhere. OTHR, presumably from Cyprus I frequently log in such out-of-band ranges (Glenn Hauser, to Steve, via DXLD)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1651:
Glenn, enclosed is a donation (Kent D Murphy, New Martinsville WV, with a check to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702)

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

Thanks to Chuck Ermatinger for a contribution via PayPal (gh)

Glenn, Thanks very much for ALL you do (and have done) to promote the SWL hobby! Here`s hoping that the Core Fundamentals of the hobby will endure somewhat despite ever-changing alternate technologies (Joe Smith Jr, WPE1HRA, Sandown NH, with a contribution to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702)

Thanks to Henning Vahlbruch in Germany for a contribution in Euro via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com (gh)

2013! Happy New Year to Glenn and the 724 DXLD members. Looking at the groups's "Message History" I read that it`s moving into its 10th year and the volume of postings remains high - long may this continue. 73s (Mike Terry, Bournemouth, southern England, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

dxldyg - congratulations --- Hi Glenn, Just noticed in dxldyg, that Dec 2012 there were 800 postings. A new record for that month! Very nice (Ron Howard, Monterey, Calif., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn e amigos, Mas um ano que entra e nÛs, dexistas de todo o mundo, estamos muito felizes por continuarmos com o seu ·rduo, dedicado, pormenorizado e confi·vel trabalho de divulgaÁ„o e informaÁ„o. … sempre um prazer receber o seu boletim e contribuir, mesmo que
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humildemente, com logs na lista DXLD. J· disse isso e continuarei a dizer: o dexismo mundial tem a divis„o de sua histÛria em duas, antes e depois de Glenn Hauser. Um forte abraÁo desde o Brasil, (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia-Brazil, Jan 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

Re: Glenn Hauser logs January 6-7, 2013 --- HAPPY NEW YEAR. THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK (ARNOLD RAMPERSAD/TRINIDAD, WEST INDIES, ptsw yg)

PUBLICATIONS
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TIS info needed

Hi DXers, I'm looking for a detailed and accurate online list of TIS-type stations. Is there something more extensive than the FCC TIS search? I fear that the FCC is missing some stations and some types of stations. For example they don't list the Kenosa WI TIS on 1180. 73 and thx, KAZ (Neil Kazaross, IL/WI, Dec 31, ABDX via DXLD)

KAZ Try these - First:
http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/ApplicationSearch/searchAdvanced.jsp;JSESSIONID_APPSEARCH=ysyPQvPZZb6yTpJG7fzXTfLKQlp27f8qbdSKQnyZP7ddCBnWwRTN!1126178866!-1820046829

Next
http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/ApplicationSearch/results.jsp?applSearchKey=applSearchKey201211311735350

Then
http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/ApplicationSearch/applMain.jsp?applID=1149866

Finally-
http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsApp/ApplicationSearch/applFreqSum.jsp?applID=1149866

Hope these links work. Had to go thru "applications" section of the ULS site (Mike AD1OS, ibid.)

NEW U.S. MEDIUMWAVE FILES

Some new mediumwave files for the MW DXer:
http://radio-timetraveller.blogspot.com/2013/01/new-us-mediumwave-files.html
Give 'em a try (Bill, Jan 7, ABDX via DXLD)

THE JANUARY 2013 RADIO WORLD INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL ISSUE IS NOW AVAILABLE

Dear Radio Professional: Welcome to the all-digital version of Radio World International. Click on the cover to read radio technology news,

reviews, commentary and more! If you cannot view the image, copy and paste this entire link in your browser:
http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/newbay/rwi_201301/
(via Juan Franco Crespo, Spain, DXLD)

I hate those nxtbooks, but at least it`s free (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES
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2013 WINTER SWL FEST REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE

Hi everyone! We have updated the SWL Fest website to include the registration form for the 2013 Fest and a link to the hotel's online reservation form. You can access this information, and register for the Fest online, at the Fest website:

http://www.swlfest.com

We are always honored when our Canadian friends join us, and we'd love to see you there too! (Rich Cuff / Co-chair, Winter SWL Fest, Jan 5, ODXA yg via DXLD) dates not given; presumably early March as everyone is supposed to know (gh, DXLD)

WTFDA/NRC/IRCA/MN DX CLUB CONVENTION --- August 1 Thru 4, 2013

The site of this yearís convention of the Minnesota DX Club, the NRC, IRCA and WTFDA is Minneapolis, MN. To hear a friendly voice tell you about it, click the link.
http://www.durenberger.com/CONVPROMOa.mp3
(Jan WTFDA VHF UHF Digest via DXLD)

EUROPEAN DX COUNCIL CONFERENCE

A date for your diary - this year's conference will be from Friday 6 to Monday 9 September 2013 at Figueira da Foz, near Coimbra, Portugal. Details to be announced later at the EDXC web site
http://www.edxc.org/
(via http://bdxc.org.uk/ via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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NEUROPHYSICAL CONFLICT INSIDE THE HUMAN AMYGDALA, AND SHORTWAVE NUMBERS STATIONS, ON DISPLAY IN BROOKLYN. Posted: 08 Jan 2013

Proteus Gowanus gallery, 29 Dec 2012: "Secret Wars, the second

exhibition in Proteus Gowanusí yearlong exploration of Battle, explores the cryptic ways of warfare waged behind the cloak of invisibility. From neurophysical conflict deep inside the human amygdala, to the broadcast signals used by spies and intelligence agencies, to the everyday observation of ordinary citizens by omniscient bureaucracies, Secret Wars reveals covert communications hiding in plain sight. Curated by Proteus Gowanus co-creative director Tammy Pittman and anthropologist Thomas Ross Miller, the exhibition brings artists from New York, Amsterdam and Berlin to trace the gaps, silences, and blackouts that conceal vital and deadly knowledge. ... Inside a special room, mysterious and hypnotic short-wave radio messages in unbreakable codes are beamed to hidden spies. ...

Artists and works include: ... David Goren ñ 'Atencion! Seis Siete Tres Siete Cero': The Mystery of the Shortwave Numbers Stations." Opening reception is 12 January at 7:00 pm EST at the Proteus Gowanus, 543 Union Street, Brooklyn, New York.

At the same location on 16 January at 4:30 pm, David Goren will give a talk: On the Air: Tuning in to the Secret Wars. "Under deep cover, a spy waits by a shortwave radio ready to copy down a long string of numbers. Dictatorships jam signals beaming in from clandestine stations operated by opposition groups. The first act of a conquering rebel group or invading army is to take over the radio station. During World War II the sarcastic and seductive voices of Lord Haw Haw, Tokyo Rose, and Ezra Pound tried to demoralize the troops and the folks back home. Urban gladiators like Skyhawk, Lt. Columbo and Switchblade take to Channel 6 on Citizens Band radio for a keydown. The winner takes the frequency. The loser is a 'Mud Duck.' Radio producer and audio archivist David Goren hosts a listening session and informal discussion about the way radio is used in battles of ideology and territory. The session will include a live tuning of a Cuban numbers station intended for Cuban spies in the United States." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See also ERITREA; INDIA; RUSSIA;
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NEW DREAM

I test also a just released new DREAM:
http://sourceforge.net/projects/drm/files/dream/1.17/
seems to require less CPU power than very old versions.
(...but the audio codec is NOT in this package....)

"If you want to hear the audio of a DRM broadcast you will need to obtain or build the faad2_drm library." (Roger Roger, Germany, Jan 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

TABELLA RACCOLTA DATI MINUTI DI TRASMISSIONE DRM MONDIALI

| DATA | MINUTI TOTALI |
|---|---|
| 23.12.2011 | 28433 |
| 3.1.2012 | 25553 |
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| 6.2.2012 | 21953 |
| 20.2.2012 | 21933 |
| 8.3.2012 | 21953 |
| 26.3.2012 | 21409 |
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| 3.11.2012 | 16406 |
| 29.12.12 | 16186 |

Buoni ascolti a tutti (Giovanni Lorenzi - IT9TZZ, QTH: Messina - Italy 38.11 N 15.32 E, bdlnews.it yg via DXLD)

Per week? There are 10080 minutes in a week, 1440 in a day (gh)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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THE MLA PROJECT --- MOEBIUS LOOP ANTENNA

I still have this antenna setup in the back yard and use it for BCB and Tropical Band DXing. This project was to test the principals of the moebius loop and see if you could reduce the inductance and resistance of a coil (the limiting factor of gain and Q). Once the size reduction was realized, the design took on the development of a good performance low band antenna for small areas. Since I did this experiment in 2009/2010 I have learned a great deal and could easily write a whole new article. Harold was a great help in this experiment with his scientific background (University of Nevada Reno, Nevada Terawatt Facility and Desert Research Institute) and being a ham radio operator.

The MLA antenna has proven to me that it will definitely give the restricted area antenna SWL a fighting chance to hear some good DX on the low bands without the use of amplifiers which causes the noise floor to increase. If you have any questions or comments please let me know.

I found the MLA article posted at this link -
http://www.am-dx.com/mlaantenna1.pdf
Your friend, (Art Hern·ndez, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SHARED MW SITES - TECHNICAL ARTICLES

G'day Guys, Given all the current interest in shared sites within this group, I thought the following two articles may be of interest:

Shared Use of AM Sites
http://www.crawfordbroadcasting.com/Eng_Files/Shared%20Use%20of%20AM%20Sites.pdf

Practical Diplexing
http://www.crawfordbroadcasting.com/Eng_Files/Practical%20Diplexing.pdf

Regards (Sam Dellit, VK1DXA, Canberra, Australia, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

CITY OF LICENSE COVERAGE DOESN`T MATTER AT NIGHT FOR CLASS D

Speaking of WRDT, I can't figure out how they ever managed to get that night authorization on the tall tower in Detroit when the little signal from it doesn't even come close to reaching Monroe, the city of license. Another big FCC mystery (Kit, W5KAT, ABDX via DXLD)`

No mystery at all. Because WRDT is a class D station, it provides no protected service after sunset. Post-sunset service from class D stations is on a secondary, non-protected basis - it must not interfere with other stations' protected service, but receives no protection from interference from anyone else.

And because it's secondary and non-protected, the rules are much looser. There's no expectation and no requirement that the night signal cover the city of license. (How can you mandate any kind of COL coverage when you're not protecting the signal from interference? ) As a result, you can put that low-power, unprotected night signal anywhere within the daytime 5 mV/m contour.

WRDT (then WHND) was one of the first to figure this out, hence the AM signal on the "Motower" in Royal Oak. It's not the only one...near me, for instance, WSIV 1540 is licensed to East Syracuse with 1 kW ND-D from a tower on the east side of the Syracuse metro. At night, it runs much lower power (100 watts or so, if memory serves) from a Valcom whip antenna on top of a building in inner-city, west side Syracuse. You can't hear it in East Syracuse very well, if at all. s (Scott Fybush, ABDX via DXLD)

Fits right in with the FCC licensing translators to a community, knowing that it will be built so far away from that community that it will not be capable of serving it. 73, (Kit W5KAT, ibid.)

Same deal - a translator is not considered "protected service" to a community, and so "community of license" is just a line in the database that has to be filled in with something. There's no COL coverage requirement there, or for class D noncommercial FMs, either

(Fybush, ibid.)

I think this translator takes the cake. It is on the same tower as the main station. Here is a link from the application.

https://licensing.fcc.gov/cdbs/CDBS_Attachment/getattachment.jsp?appn=101425505&qnum=5090©num=1&exhcnum=1

Someone suggested that maybe it involved digital service, analog on one frequency digital on the other, but I don't know about those things. Neither of these stations is digital. I wonder if Miller Communications might be trying to keep other translators or LPFM's off the air in their area by gobbling up the frequencies? (Bob Smoak, Bamberg, S. C., ibid.)

It wouldn't be the first time. The whole translator program has been subject to misuse and abuse, but the FCC doesn't seem to care. I mentioned a while ago that they approved a translator in the same county out in the flatlands for a 175 kW FM. Does anyone at the FCC think a 175 KW FM signal isn't capable of traveling 10 miles across flat land, so a translator is needed?

Changing the subject a bit, there was a mention on here that the FCC is no longer licensing daytime AM stations, but they don't seem to have a problem allowing a fulltimer to change to daytime status. WMKT 1270 in Charlevoix, MI is currently licensed for fulltime operation with 27 KW ND Day, and 5 KW DA-N, but they have a CP to change to 50 KW NDD, meaning they will increase power, but become a daytimer. Very strange. 73, (Kit, W5KAT, ibid.)

RIGID DIPOLE ANTENNAS

Shortwave broadcasters with near distant coverage areas can now profit from a space-saving antenna innovation from Ampegon based on our well-proven rigid folded dipole technology. An obvious disadvantage of classical open wire design, i.e. the need of antenna suspension towers with all their guy ropes, is reduced to a single self-supporting central tower. Consequently ground space, material, assembly and maintenance works are minimized to a cost-efficient solution. With robust, easy-to-maintain and highly reliable RF components, the system has a very high availability with extraordinarily long MTBF (Mean Time Between Failure) and very short MTTR (Mean Time To Repair).

The rigid dipole antenna has a remarkably small footprint and allows installation on even smallest estates. There is no need of extensive and complex guy ropes including insulations and foundations. The antenna radiation characteristics are optimized for DRM (from http://www.ampegon.com/files/ampegon_antenna_systems.pdf

via wb, Dec 30, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Jan 5 via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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Geomagnetic field activity was quiet. Solar wind speed, measured at the ACE spacecraft, ranged from a high of about 480 km/s at the beginning of the period to a low of near 275 km/s late on 05 January. The interplanetary magnetic field (IMF) Bt ranged between 1 to 9 nT while the Bz component of the IMF varied between +7 to -6 nT. Phi angle was observed to be in a positive (away) orientation for a majority of the period. Intervals of negative (towards) orientation occurred between 31/0000Z to 02/0445Z and again from about 06/1300Z through the end of the summary period.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 07 JAN - 02 FEB 2013

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for M-class activity through 18 January when active Regions 1650 (S29, L=194), 1652 (N20, L=187) and 1653 (N09, L=185) rotate off the disk. Very low to low levels are expected to persist through 21 January. From 22 Janaury through the end of the outlook period, low levels are expected with a chance for M-class activity as old Region 1640 (N28, L=323) is due to return.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels through the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on 07 - 08 January due to the influence of a geoeffective CH HSS coupled with possible glancing blow effects from the 04 January CME. With the exception of 13 January, 20 - 21 January and 26 January when recurrent CH HSS are expected to become geoeffective, quiet conditions are expected to persist through the outlook period.

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:Product: 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table 27DO.txt
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# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
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#      27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
#                Issued 2013-01-07
#
#   UTC      Radio Flux   Planetary   Largest
#  Date       10.7 cm      A Index    Kp Index
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|---|---|---|---|
| 2013 Jan 07 | 140 | 8 | 3 |
| 2013 Jan 08 | 135 | 8 | 3 |
| 2013 Jan 09 | 130 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 10 | 125 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 11 | 125 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 12 | 120 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 13 | 115 | 10 | 3 |
| 2013 Jan 14 | 115 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 15 | 110 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 16 | 110 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 17 | 110 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 18 | 105 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 19 | 105 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 20 | 110 | 8 | 3 |
| 2013 Jan 21 | 120 | 8 | 3 |
| 2013 Jan 22 | 125 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 23 | 125 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 24 | 125 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 25 | 130 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 26 | 130 | 10 | 3 |
| 2013 Jan 27 | 130 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 28 | 130 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 29 | 135 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 30 | 140 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Jan 31 | 140 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 01 | 140 | 5 | 2 |
| 2013 Feb 02 | 135 | 5 | 2 |

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Solar activity forecast for the period January 11 - 17, 2013

Activity level: mostly low
X-ray background flux (1.0-8.0 A): in the range B2.5-C2.0
Radio flux (10.7 cm): a fluctuation in the range 115-175 f.u.
Events: class C (1-15/day), class M (0-5/period), class X (0-1/period), proton (0-1/period)
Relative sunspot number (Ri): in the range 45-125

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SOLAR & GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY FORECAST FOR PERIOD JAN 11 - FEB 2, 2013

Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on January 17 - 19, 22 - 25, 28 - 29, February 1 - 2
mostly quiet on January 15, 20 - 21, 26, 30 - 31
quiet to unsettled on January 11 - 12, 14
quiet to active on January 16, 27

active to disturbed on January 13

High probability of changes in solar wind which may cause changes in magnetosphere and ionosphere is expected on January 12 - 16, 18, (23 - 24) and 26.

Remark: - The current type of development of active regions on the Sun as well as changes of its configuration, after a relatively quiet period, reduces the reliability of our predictions again.

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